

# Cooma Public School

## Works notification – 12 March 2026

Dear parents, staff and carers,

The NSW Department of Education is undertaking maintenance works at Cooma Public School.

In February 2026, an independent hygienist was on site and identified a damaged low-density board under the floor of the classroom in Building F in an area not generally accessed by staff and restricted to students.

Samples were collected and test results confirmed the presence of friable asbestos on Tuesday 10 March 2026. Friable asbestos can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

This location was not in an area identified on the School Asbestos Management Plan (SAMP). The register has been updated to include this recent find.

Access under the flooring has been restricted and signage is in place since Tuesday 10 March 2026. The asbestos removal works started on Tuesday 10 March 2026 and is expected to continue until Friday 10 April 2026.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials will take place outside of school hours with safety measures in place.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors.

The area will be inspected by an independent hygienist, and a clearance certificate will be issued.

The health, safety and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your understanding and support during this important work.



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