## Dee Why Public School Works notification | 28 March 2025

Dear staff, parents, carers and neighbours,

On Monday 24 March 2025, several fragments of material suspected to contain asbestos were identified in a garden bed on the western side of Dee Why Public School between the school entrance and Building B.

As a precaution, the area was fenced off and made inaccessible to students and staff. An independent hygienist was engaged to collect the fragments for testing and provide advice. Testing confirmed the fragments contained bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that 'living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged'.

Work to clear and inspect the area took place on Tuesday 25 March 2025. Work involving asbestos-containing materials took place within school hours with safety measures in place. The school's asbestos register will be updated to include this recent find.

All work was done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed asbestos contractors.

The independent hygienist inspected the site and provided clearance to reopen the area.

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 cooperation during this important work.



