

Dora Creek Public School

Works notification

2 June 2022

Dear school community

Following the unprecedented wet weather across NSW and the high humidity, Dora Creek Public School has unfortunately been impacted by mould.

The Department of Education has engaged an independent occupational hygienist to assess the site with our experienced local asset management team. Air monitoring is in place, which has determined that some learning spaces are not currently suitable for use.

Our priority is always to ensure that students can continue to receive face to face learning in a safe and comfortable environment. The Department is working with Claire Bradshaw, Relieving Principal at Dora Creek Public School, to make necessary adjustments to teaching and learning spaces.

Work is underway at the school

Work started on Friday 27 May 2022 by an approved ventilation contractor to remediate mould and moisture at the school, on the advice of the independent occupational hygienist. This work is continuing.

Two demountable classrooms and an administration interview room have been closed at present while remediation continues.

Once the remediation work is completed, testing will be conducted and the school will receive a Clearance Certificate confirming it is safe to re-open the areas for students and staff to use.

Remediation and monitoring

An independent hygienist has visited the site to assess moisture and humidity levels and set up air monitoring.

For the rooms impacted by mould, remediation is underway including cleaning and drying. Air purifier and dehumidifier units have been mobilised. This work is directed by the hygienist and are approved remediation measures. Work will continue to be monitored.

The health, safety, and well-being of the students and staff and the local community is our highest priority and we will continue to keep the community updated.

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Supporting our community

School Infrastructure NSW acknowledges the recent extreme weather conditions resulting in flooding in localised areas and the ongoing impacts resulting from this and heavy rainfall including access issues, damage to buildings and grounds, standing water, increased humidity and mould.

We do expect that these impacts will continue to affect our school communities and facilities and we will continue to work with our schools to respond to these conditions to minimise disruption where possible.

While we work with our schools to manage these impacts we also encourage schools to maximise natural ventilation by opening windows and doors where it's safe to do so.

We thank the community for your understanding as we manage the situation.

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