Congewai Public School Works notification | 02 April 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During a routine inspection by an independent hygienist on **14 March 2024**, cement sheeting suspected to contain asbestos was found embedded in a small concrete slab along the south side of the general learning/administrative building at Congewai Public School.

Testing confirmed the material contains bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low-risk.

The area has been secured and made out of bounds with temporary fencing.

Work to remove the asbestos will be conducted **during the autumn school holidays.** This period may include **from the end of the school day on Friday 12 April 2024** up to **the first day of Term 2 for staff on Monday 29 April 2024**.

Work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority. We will keep the community updated.

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.

