

Ettalong Public School

Works notification | 11 February 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

As part of regular maintenance, we are repairing some cracked windows in a classroom on level 1 of Building C at Ettalong Public School.

The putty material in these windows was suspected to contain bonded asbestos. An independent hygienist was engaged to collect material for testing and provide advice. The glass was secured on Thursday 30 January 2025, and the putty deemed undisturbed by the hygienist. Clearance was provided to continue using these rooms.

Testing confirmed the window putty 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 repair the windows and remove the window frame material is planned to take place on Saturday 15 February 2025.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials will take place outside of school hours. All work involving asbestos-containing material 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 asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists.

The classroom will be inspected by the independent hygienist and clearance will be provided to continue using the rooms.

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

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.



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