## **NSW Department of Education**

## Fairfield West Public School Works notification | 7 June 2024



Dear staff, parents and carers,

We have been investigating suspected mould growth in Building M and one demountable classroom at Fairfield West Public School.

On 4 June 2024, under the recommendations of an independent hygienist we closed 4 classrooms and 2 withdrawal spaces in Building M, and the demountable classroom that were part of this investigation. These areas have confirmed mould growth and some areas returned elevated readings of associated spores.

Year 5 students and staff who normally use the demountable have been relocated to another classroom while remediation work is done. Building M is used for support lessons and wellbeing services, and the staff who normally occupy these rooms have also been relocated to other areas in the school.

The source of the mould is still being investigated. When the source is identified, work to resolve or repair the issue will be completed before the remediation work starts.

On 5 June 2024, as a precautionary measure, we organised for another 2 demountable classrooms and a shared learning space to be tested for suspected mould. We are still waiting for these results, and if required, remediation work will be included in this scope of work.

All work involving hazardous materials will take place outside of school hours, with safety measures and air monitoring in place while work is being done. All inspections and remediation works will be conducted in accordance with recommendations from the independent hygienist.

Use and access to the affected areas will be restricted until a clearance certificate is received.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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