

# Galston Public School

## Works notification | 24 October 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

During a recent routine inspection, damage was identified and reported on an external wall in a storeroom at the rear of Building F at Galston Public School. Material in the walls of the building is known to contain bonded asbestos as listed on the school's asbestos register.

This area is out of bounds for students with limited staff access.

An independent hygienist was engaged to conduct testing and provide advice. Testing has confirmed that the material in the external wall panel contains bonded asbestos. This means it is attached to other materials such as tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

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

Work to repair the wall panel is scheduled to take place on 26 October 2024. Work will be done under the supervision of an independent hygienist with additional safety measures and monitoring in place before the work starts. Following the work, the wall and area will be inspected by an independent hygienist and clearance will be provided.

All 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.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



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