

Gillieston Public School

Works notification | 9 March 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

Upcoming maintenance works are planned to remove hazardous materials at Gillieston Public School. This work will involve working with asbestos containing material in the external wall lining of building D.

The material has been confirmed as bonded asbestos which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Work to remove the material will take place on Saturday 11 March 2023 in accordance with the advice of an independent hygienist. All works involving asbestos containing materials will take place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and monitoring in place before works start.

The area has already been cordoned and safety measures implemented in response to the materials found in the ground of building D, as advised in the works notification published on 10 February 2023. The area will remain out of bounds to students and staff until the removal and associated maintenance work is finished.

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

The area will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is reopened to students and staff.

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.

