

# Gymea Bay Public School

## Works notification | 5 December 2024

Dear staff, parents, carers, and neighbours,

We are pleased to announce we are upgrading key school facilities at Gymea Bay Public School.

This project includes:

- Reconfiguring the internal space in Building J to accommodate a Support Unit, two breakout spaces, a staff bathroom, internal laundry and accessible bathroom.
- Installing fencing at the end of Building J.
- Upgrading the carpark and drop off area to include enhanced accessibility features.

### Removal of hazardous material

Part of this work will involve removing internal wall and ceiling linings in Building J known to contain bonded asbestos as listed on the school's asbestos register. The materials are currently undisturbed.

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 remove the asbestos component of the building will take place during the Summer School Holidays and may include from the end of the school day on Friday 20 December 2024 up to the first day of Term 1, Friday 31 January 2025.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists.

Once the wall and ceiling linings have been removed, an independent hygienist will inspect the area and issue a clearance certificate before other building work continues.

### Construction work hours

As stated above, most of the work will take place during the Summer School Holidays. However, preparations for work started the week of Monday 2 December 2024 and minor works may extend after the holidays until Sunday 30 February 2025.

Work hours will be Monday to Friday 7 am to 6 pm and Saturday 8 am to 1 pm.

There will be no operational impact to students and staff during these works.

Contractors and vehicles will access the school via the main vehicle access gate on Gymea Bay Road. All work vehicles will park onsite in the school car park.



Please be aware there will be an increase in noise during demolition works. We will make every effort to minimise noise where possible.

For more information on how construction impacts will be managed, visit the School Infrastructure website: [Managing construction impacts in your community \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/school-infrastructure/managing-construction-impacts).

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

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.