

Lochinvar Public School

Works notification | 9 March 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

Soil containing asbestos will be removed from Lochinvar Public School on Saturday 11 March 2023.

The asbestos containing material was found in December as part of work to install a demountable building near Building F and was moved to a safe area behind the school Administration Building so that the demountable could be installed for students and staff.

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. The soil remains isolated behind the Administration Building with temporary fencing and covered with Geotech fabric.

The community was notified about the material in December 2022.

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 will remain out of bounds to students and staff until the removal 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 an independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the it 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.

