

Maitland East Public School

Works notification | 24 April 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

On Monday 3 April 2023, an independent hygienist attended Maitland East Public School to inspect and conduct testing in a classroom in Building G (notified on 6 April 2023).

The hygienist was engaged in accordance with the the Department of Education's protocols on the management of asbestos in schools, after a review found the contractor installed LED lights using a method different to the established work practices of the program.

Following further recommendations from the hygienist, work to remediate the classroom will take place on Saturday 6 May. This will involve the removal of all soft furnishings from the classroom including wall linings, carpet, and appliances and a hygienic clean of all hard surfaces as an added precaution.

Additional safety measures and monitoring will be put in place before work starts, and the area will out remain of bounds 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 classroom 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.

