Mortdale Public School Works notification | 27 June 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During excavation works to upgrade the asphalt play area at Mortdale Public School, asbestos containing material was found in the ground attached to existing concrete surfaces between Building D and E.

We are following all the advice and protocols of independent asbestos hygienists and other experts.

The area is cordoned off within the worksite and separated by temporary fencing. Additional safety measures have been implemented including covering the material with plastic sheeting and applying water to keep the soil wet.

The material will be remediated outside of school hours as soon as licensed and accredited contractors can be scheduled. Additional safety measure and monitoring will be put in place before works start and the area will remain out of bounds.

The area will be remediated 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 to ensure the area has been fully remediated. The construction contractor will receive a clearance certificate, following remediation before upgrade works continue.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority and we will continue to keep the community updated.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

