

# Moss Vale Public School

## Works notification | 22 November 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Further to our works notification on Wednesday 20 November, additional inspections and remediation will take place across Moss Vale Public School on Saturday 23 November.

Fragments of suspected asbestos-containing material have now been found in additional outdoor locations and removed by the independent hygienist.

While these areas have been cordoned off as a precaution, we are committed to ensuring that learning and teaching can continue as normal.

We will keep the community updated about the outcome of these inspections.

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### **Distributed 20 November 2024**

Dear staff, parents and carers,

We are providing an update on the suspected asbestos found at Moss Vale Public School last week, and the results of the inspections and testing.

Since we advised you of the suspected asbestos find on [15 November 2024](#), test results from the independent hygienist have confirmed the presence of bonded asbestos.

Additional inspections have taken place on school grounds, with further suspected asbestos-containing material identified and collected by the independent hygienist.

These pieces were found on the ground opposite the entrance to Building A and around the classroom demountable. As a precaution, those areas have been cordoned off.

On Saturday 23 November 2024 an independent hygienist and a licensed asbestos contractor will undertake an inspection of the areas where the finds have occurred. This will allow for the removal of any other identified pieces of suspected asbestos.

The department is working with the hygienist to develop a site-specific asbestos management plan (SSAMP) for the ongoing management of asbestos on the school site. This will include monthly inspections of the school site by the hygienist.

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 including air monitoring will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists.

The areas will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm they have been fully remediated, and a clearance certificate will be issued before the areas are reopened.





NSW Health explains 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.

For more information on asbestos and health risks please visit the NSW Health website.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.