Mount Victoria Public School

Works notification | 2 February 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During the school holidays, suspected asbestos containing material was found in the ground within the Day Care Centre playground at Mount Victoria Public School while replacing a retaining wall. Work immediately stopped, the area remains fenced off and the school has temporarily closed the Day Care Centre's northern playground.

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

Independent hygienists inspected the area on Wednesday 1 February 2023 and took samples for testing to confirm the nature of the material and if remediation is needed.

If necessary, this 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 independent 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 it has been fully remediated and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is re-opened to students and staff.

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

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

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