

NSW Department of Education
Peakhurst Public School
Works notification | 7 May 2024



Dear staff and parents/carers,

On 1 May 2024, a ceiling eave containing suspected asbestos material was broken in the external area of the side entrance to the administrative building at Peakhurst Public School. This area is not listed on the school's asbestos register.

The area was immediately cordoned off and the ceiling covered with temporary sheeting until testing could be done.

The material was removed for testing by an independent hygienist outside of school hours.

Testing confirmed that the fragment contained bonded asbestos, which means it was attached to other materials such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low risk.

Work to remove the damaged eave will take place on Saturday, 11 May 2024, with air monitoring in place and the school will receive a clearance certificate from the independent hygienist before the area is reopened. The school's asbestos register will be updated.

All work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and the local community are our highest priority.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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