

# Portland Central School

## School holiday works notification - Summer | February 2024

School Infrastructure NSW regularly inspects and maintains schools to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our school communities.

The school holidays are the ideal time for a lot of maintenance and project work to take place in schools across the state without disrupting learning. The Summer school holiday period is our busiest of the year as this extended time allows us to complete work that takes longer or may be more disruptive.

Planned work over the school holidays at some schools may involve working with hazardous materials such as asbestos containing material. This may include remediation or removal of material, or sampling. This notification is to let you know about work that took place at your school involving these materials.

### **Planned work over the Summer school holidays**

Over the Summer holidays we did planned maintenance at Portland Central School to refurbish areas inside the industrial arts demountable classroom.

As part of this work, asbestos containing material was identified in a workbench, which was not listed on the school's asbestos register. The workbench was removed on 30 January 2024.

All work involving asbestos containing materials took place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and monitoring in place before the work is started.

Work was 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 occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The building was inspected by an independent hygienist to confirm remediation and provide a clearance certificate, and the building is now open for the start of Term 1 2024.

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

If you have any questions about the work, please contact us on the details below.

