

Salt Ash Public School

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Dear staff, parents and carers,

We continue to monitor PFAS levels at Salt Ash Public School as part of the school's risk management plan. Regular testing of the soil is recommended as part of this plan, which outlines measures to reduce the risk of PFAS exposure for staff, students and visitors.

Access to grass area

In June 2025, remediation was undertaken on areas of the school possibly affected by flood waters that were potentially contaminated with sewage during severe weather in May.

We are pleased to report that the remediation, which involved soil being treated with hydrated lime, is now complete. An independent hygienist has since tested the soil and confirmed that the oval can be reopened for usual school activities.

Access to the first half of the school's grassed area was granted late August 2025. All remaining fencing has now been removed, providing students and staff with access to the entire oval.

Next steps

In July 2026, the school will undergo planned annual testing of the PFAS levels in the soil at the school. Testing will be conducted by independent contaminated land consultants to determine if current levels remain low risk.

Previous testings have determined the PFAS levels in the soil present a low risk of adverse health effects.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities. We will keep the community updated.

Did you know?

Since 2021, Salt Ash Public School has undergone significant upgrades, including modernised classrooms, improved outdoor spaces, and enhanced facilities. With better accessibility, new play areas, and tailored learning programs, the school offers an outstanding learning environment.

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