

# Schofields Public School

## Works notification | 27 August 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

We would like to provide you with an update on mould investigations and remediation actions being carried out at Schofields Public School.

As advised in our [20 August 2024 works notification](#), we were notified about stormwater drainage issues at the school, resulting in mould on the outside of the demountable buildings.

Independent hygienists attended the site on Saturday 10, Saturday 17 and Monday 19 August to inspect the buildings, conduct air quality monitoring and organise soil, water and surface area samples for testing.

In addition to testing for air quality and surface mould, we tested the soil and surface water for heavy metals, chemicals and asbestos.

As a preventative measure, we conducted an environmental clean inside the demountables.

We are pleased to advise that all tests for the internal buildings returned results below normal mould ecology, meaning that the buildings can continue for normal use.

Preliminary results of the soil and surface water testing came back clear, indicating there is a low risk of hazardous materials or contaminants.

Tests of the building exteriors revealed slightly elevated mould readings. A full washdown of the exterior of the demountables has been completed. This includes roof and gutter cleaning.

A plumber also attended the site to ensure the stormwater and sewer systems are correctly installed. This work is underway and expected to be finished by Monday 2 September.

To reduce mould build up and improve ventilation, work to remove obstructions underneath the demountables is being completed and is expected to be finished by Monday 2 September.

We have also installed CO2 monitors and additional outside air fans.

From Monday 2 September students will be able to resume their usual lessons and activities in all buildings.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority. We will notify you about any further actions to remediate the site.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

