Sutton Public School Works notification | 4 March 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Drinking water quality testing was conducted at Sutton Public School by an independent hygienist on Monday 17 February 2025, as part of our twice-yearly maintenance program.

While waiting for these test results, student bubblers were reported to have an unusual taste and odour on Monday 3 March.

The school was provided with bottled drinking water this morning.

Test results received today (Tuesday 4 March) have detected traces of bacteria in samples collected from a K-2 building classroom sink, which is not used for drinking water.

Signage has been installed to remind students and staff not to use this outlet.

Hand sanitiser is available and an alternate classroom sink can be used for handwashing in the same building.

Test results also confirmed that there were no unusual detections in the school's bubblers.

As a precaution, bottled water will continue to be available and access to the bubblers will be restricted until additional testing is completed.

We are working with an independent hygienist to schedule required remediation work, which will be carried out by qualified and licenced contractors.

The independent hygienist will then re-test all outlets to ensure water meets the requirements of the <u>Australian Drinking Water Guidelines</u>.

We will keep the community informed with the latest information as it becomes available.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



