

# Thirroul Public School

## Works notification | 26 September 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

A staff member found a piece of suspected bonded asbestos on the grass playground, near an existing fenced-off area, at Thirroul Public School on Monday 23 September.

An independent hygienist inspected the area – which is listed in the school’s site-specific asbestos management plan – and removed the fragment for testing.

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

The area was made inaccessible on the same day for the remainder of Term 3.

### **Planning for remediation**

The department is currently planning for the remediation of the grass playground – which will remain closed as a precaution.

Once remediation is completed, the independent hygienist will inspect the area to confirm it has been fully remediated before it is reopened.

We will keep the community updated.

All work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education’s Asbestos Management Plan.

Safety measures will be in place while work is being done.

All work will be 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 is our highest priority.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

