

# Parramatta East Public School

Works notification | 12 December 2022

Dear staff and parents/carers,

## Playground Remediation

During routine inspections at Parramatta East Public School, suspected asbestos containing material was found in the playground near the fence along Gaggin Street. As a precaution, the area has been isolated and is out of bounds to students and staff.

We are following all the advice and protocols of the independent environmental hygienist, asbestos removalists, and other experts.

Work to remediate the area will take place outside of school hours on Thursday 15 December 2022. Before works start, additional safety measures will be implemented including the installation of air monitors. All asbestos containing material will be removed in accordance with the advice of the independent hygienist.

Work will be done in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

The area will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated. The school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is open to students and staff.

## Planned Holiday Work

Upcoming maintenance work is planned to replace flooring in the administration block at Parramatta East Public School. This work will involve working with asbestos containing material in the vinyl tiles under the existing carpet.

The material is bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure. Please be assured that these areas are currently safe for use.

Work will take place during the summer school holidays between Sunday 8 January 2023 and Monday 9 January 2023. All asbestos containing material will be removed outside of school hours and safety measures and monitoring put in place, in accordance with the advice of the independent hygienist.

Before works begin the area will be cordoned off and will remain out of bounds to any staff or students who may visit the school over the holidays until the removal and associated maintenance work is completed.

The area will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated. The school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is open to students and staff.

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.

