

Muswellbrook South Public School

Works notification | 3 June 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

On 23 May 2024, during a routine inspection, damage was identified on an external roof eave between Building H and Building S at Muswellbrook South Public School.

The material in the external eave contains bonded asbestos as listed in the school's asbestos register which means it is attached to other materials such as tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

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

As a precaution an independent hygienist was engaged to install air monitoring. The area was cordoned off so the eave material could be repaired and secured accordingly.

The material was secured the following day outside of school hours on Friday 24 May 2024. These repair works did not include the disturbance of any asbestos-containing materials.

All work was done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

Following the work, the area was inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and a clearance certificate has been issued for the area to be re-opened for use.

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.

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