

Cooma North Public School

Works notification | 20 February 2026

Dear parents, staff and carers,

The NSW Department of Education is undertaking maintenance works at Cooma North Public School.

On Tuesday 3 February 2026 a contractor was on site and identified debris from an old, unused kiln had fallen onto the carpet in the 2 storerooms in Building J. These areas are not used for teaching or learning but were immediately locked as a precaution.

An independent hygienist completed testing of the debris on Tuesday 3 February 2026. Testing results received on Tuesday 17 February 2026 confirmed the presence of friable asbestos.

Friable asbestos can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

This location is not in an area identified on the School Asbestos Management Plan (SAMP). The register will be updated to include this recent find.

Asbestos removal work is being scheduled, and air monitoring will be in place whilst this is underway. An independent hygienist will inspect the storerooms, along with the air monitoring results and a clearance certificate will be issued before the rooms are reopened. We will keep the community updated.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials will take place outside of school hours.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



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