

Albury North Public School

Works notification | 29 April 2024

Dear staff, parents/carers,

We would like to let you know about work that took place at Albury North Public School during the April school holidays.

Background

On 20 September 2023, a ceiling eave was damaged in an undercover walkway of Building G. The damaged eave sheet was suspected to contain asbestos. As a precautionary measure the eave sheet was encapsulated, and a sample sent away for testing.

Testing confirmed that the material contained bonded asbestos which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Since then, the material has remained encapsulated so the walkway could be used.

April school holiday work

On Wednesday 24 April 2024 the asbestos eave sheet was removed, and a new sheet was installed on Friday 26 April 2024. As a precautionary measure we organised with Albury City Council Out of School Hours Care management for staff and children using the service during the holidays to be offsite when the asbestos component of work was done.

The area was cordoned off during the work, with additional safety measures and air monitoring put in place before the work started.

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.

The area was inspected by an independent hygienist to confirm it had been fully remediated, and the school received a clearance certificate before the contractor finished the work on Friday 26 April.

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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