Marrickville West Public School Works notification | Autumn School Holidays

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Further to our works notification issued on <u>11 April 2025</u>, we are pleased to advise we have remediated the 4 rooms affected by asbestos at Marrickville West Public School.

In late March and early April 2025, the ceilings of 3 rooms in Building B and upon additional inspection, a room in Building A, were confirmed to contain asbestos, as listed on the school's asbestos register.

The rooms were locked and access restricted. During the Autumn School Holidays, work to remediate the 4 rooms was completed. This work included:

- removal and replacement of ceilings with non-hazardous ceiling sheeting
- removal and replacement of all carpet
- removal of all known asbestos containing material and associated dust and debris
- decontamination of all hard surfaces.

Please note that all potentially contaminated items, including furniture, electronic equipment and writing materials were removed from these rooms and will be replaced early Term 2.

Air monitoring was conducted during and after these works. All works were completed by licensed contractors and monitored by an independent hygienist.

A clearance certificate for all 4 rooms has been issued and the rooms are available for lessons to continue.

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

More information

For more information about asbestos please refer to NSW Health's <u>Asbestos and health</u> risks fact sheet.

Please see a healthcare professional if you have any concerns or contact <u>your local NSW Health Public Health Unit</u> for advice on 1300 066 055.

Individuals concerned about exposure can also record their details on the <u>National Asbestos</u> <u>Exposure Register</u>. The register is managed by the Australian Government's Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency, which was created so that members of the community who think that they may have been exposed to asbestos can record the details of their exposure for their future reference. If you have any questions regarding the register or would like to speak to someone at the Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency, please call 1300 326 148.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.





Notification issued 11 April 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Further to our <u>works notification on 10 April 2025</u>, we have continued our inspection of all rooms that have had air conditioning installed at Marrickville West Public School.

On Friday 11 April we found ceiling damage from air conditioning installation in the Year 1/2B classroom. This classroom is not listed on the school's asbestos register.

The classroom was immediately locked and students were moved to another classroom. We engaged an independent hygienist to take samples of the ceiling material for testing.

The material has been confirmed as friable asbestos. Friable asbestos can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

Remediation work and additional inspections are planned to take place in the Autumn School Holidays and may include replacement of ceilings, carpet and pinboards and cleaning of all hard surfaces. A clearance certificate will be issued before the classrooms are reopened for use.

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Please see a healthcare professional if you have any concerns or contact <u>your local NSW</u> Health Public Health Unit for advice on 1300 066 055.

We will provide an update before school returns for Day 1 Term 2.

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 asbestos contractors and inspected by independent hygienists.

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Thank you for your cooperation during this time.

