NSW Department of Education



Marrickville Public School Works Notification - Progress Update | 22 May 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

We are updating you on mould remediation works following the <u>notification issued on 4 April 2024</u> where we informed you that mould was detected in a classroom in Building B.

On 23 April, an independent hygienist inspected all the buildings in the school and further testing was done on 1 May. Test results showed there was mould:

- in the ceilings of an additional classroom and a breakout area in Building B
- on the awning ceiling in the outdoor area of Building A
- in 2 corridors and a stairway in Building D
- in a staff room in Building E
- on the ceiling in the boys and girls toilets and a covered outdoor area in Building F
- around the extraction fan in the staff toilet in Building J.

The independent hygienist advised that access to these rooms does not need to be restricted while remediation works are being completed. Remediation includes cleaning of all hard surfaces and using dehumidifiers and air scrubbers to reduce moisture and airborne mould spores.

Building B

We are redoing remediation works in the Building B classroom following tests indicating that additional cleaning is required in this room.

Buildings A, D, E, F and J

Work to remediate the mould in Buildings A, D, E, F, and J is ongoing. The independent hygienist advised that restricted access is not required and mould remediation can continue to occur safely in the affected areas.

Other ongoing work

We are also investigating the source of the water ingress to resolve any further moisture issues. We will keep the community updated.

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All work involving hazardous materials will take place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and air monitoring in place while work is being done. All inspections and remediation works will be conducted in accordance with recommendations from the independent hygienist.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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