

Speers Point Public School

Works notification | 27 August 2024

Dear staff, parents, carers and neighbours,

Following on from the communications provided in [February 2024](#) regarding soil sampling at Speers Point Public School, this notification is to update you on the lead management practices and activities that will be taking place in the coming weeks.

The department is currently working with the independent environmental specialist towards managing the ongoing requirements for the site, including precautionary landscaping maintenance work to support ground cover of the soil.

While the final report is being prepared by the independent specialist, early recommendations are to continue to maintain adequate ground coverage. We will be doing some extra landscaping works in the area currently taped off and out of bounds in the playground behind Building A.

This work will take place during normal hours as no hazardous material will be disturbed and will include:

- applying mulch and topsoil
- applying additional grass cover
- establishing new garden beds.

Following the work, the environmental specialist will inspect the site to confirm completed management activities have been effective. Following these landscaping works we will aim to have the fenced off areas reopened for use as soon as possible.

We will continue to work with the environmental specialists on ongoing monitoring and grounds management.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority. If you have any questions about the work, please contact us on the details below.

More information

- For information on lead in North Lake Macquarie, see the [Hunter New England Local Health District's webpage](#).
- For information on environmental and health impacts of lead, see the webpage from [the Australian Government Department of Climate Change, the Environment and Water](#).



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