

Caringbah North Public School

School holiday works notification – Autumn | 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

The school holidays are the ideal time to complete maintenance and project work across the state without disrupting learning.

Planned work over the Autumn School Holidays

We will be working at your school during the Autumn School Holidays – from the end of the school day on Friday 11 April up to Day 1 Term 2 (Wednesday 30 April).

During a routine maintenance inspection on Thursday 27 March 2025, we found suspected asbestos in the electrical distribution box located in the school canteen at Caringbah North Public School.

The box was immediately closed, padlocked and duct taped to make it airtight.

On Friday 28 March, we engaged an independent hygienist to take samples for testing.

On Monday 31 March, test results confirmed the samples contained bonded asbestos. NSW Health explains that "living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged".

During the holidays, licensed contractors will remove the asbestos material from the electrical distribution box and replace with non-hazardous material.

Work hours will be between 7 am and 6 pm Monday to Friday, and 8 am and 1 pm on Saturday, in line with NSW Environment Protection Authority guidelines.

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.

Once the works are completed, an independent hygienist will inspect the area and issue a clearance certificate.

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

