

Caringbah North Public School

Works notification | 27 September 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Monday 23 September 2024, small pieces of building fragments were found on the ground near the back perimeter fence at Caringbah North Public School.

The fragments have not originated from the school site and appear to have been discarded on school grounds. The fragments were suspected to contain asbestos.

The area was immediately roped off and access was restricted. There was no disruption to school operations.

We engaged an independent hygienist who inspected the area, conducted air monitoring and organised samples for testing. All visible fragments were removed.

On 25 September, testing results confirmed the fragments contained bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials and in good condition, it is likely to be low-risk.

All air monitoring returned results below the minimum detectable limit, which means it is consistent with acceptable levels in ambient air (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL) as per SafeWork NSW guidelines.

After a final inspection, the independent hygienist issued a clearance certificate. The area has been reopened for use.

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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