

# Biraban Public School

## Works notification | 18 August 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Thursday 31 July 2025, a cracked window was found in the support unit classroom (Building F) at Biraban Public School.

The putty material surrounding the window was undisturbed but assumed to contain bonded asbestos. As a precaution, the window was boarded up and an independent hygienist was engaged to test the material and provide advice.

Testing confirmed that the window putty 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".

The putty surrounding other windows in this room are known to contain asbestos, as identified on the school's asbestos register. The register will be updated to include this recent find as required.

On Saturday 16 August 2025, contractors removed the glass window and putty, under the guidance of an independent hygienist, then secured the opening until new glass can be installed.

A new window will be installed at a later date, after which the independent hygienist will return to inspect the work and issue a clearance certificate for the room to continue to be used.

All work is done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures are in place while work is being done. All work are being completed by licensed asbestos contractors.

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.



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