

# Biraban Public School

Works notification | 21 July 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

Further to the notification below, testing conducted by an independent hygienist has confirmed that the material within the window frames is bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

The window frames will be remediated as soon as licensed and accredited contractors can be scheduled. The classroom remains safe for occupation as the damaged windows have been covered in plastic and the frames are intact.

We will keep the community updated on the scheduling of licensed and accredited contractors to complete this work.

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

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## 19 July 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

We are repairing 2 broken windows in a classroom in Building F at Biraban Public School. The putty within the window frames is suspected to contain asbestos.

We are following all the advice and protocols of independent asbestos hygienists and other experts.

The window has been covered in plastic sheeting and because the window frame is undamaged the classroom remains safe for occupation.

Testing will be conducted by an independent hygienist to confirm the nature of the material and if remediation is needed.

If necessary, this area will be remediated in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be undertaken outside school hours and completed by licensed and accredited independent asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The classroom will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the classroom is reopened to students and staff.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and local community is our highest priority, and we will continue to keep the community updated.

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

