

Umina Beach Public School

Works notification | 26 October 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

Update on managing asbestos in ground at Umina Beach Public School

As part of a routine inspection on Friday 20 October 2023, a fragment of suspected asbestos containing material was found on the north-west corner of the grounds at Umina Beach Public School. This outdoor area was fenced off immediately following the find, and an independent hygienist attended on 20 October to collect the fragment for testing.

Testing has confirmed that the fragment is bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

On Wednesday 8 November at 5:30pm, a registered asbestos contactor will clean and wet rake the area outside of school hours, under the supervision of the independent hygienist. As this area is outside-the area that was previously remediated it will remain cordoned off with additional safety measures and air monitoring in place until clearance is provided by the hygienist.

All work will be monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

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 cooperation during this important work.

