

NSW Department of Education

Coal Point Public School

Works notification | 16 May 2024



Dear staff and parents/carers,

On 10 May 2024, during a routine inspection a staff member noticed damage to a wall in a locked sports storeroom in Building C at Coal Point Public School.

The material in the wall contains bonded asbestos, as per the school's asbestos register, which means it was attached to other materials such as a painted surface, tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

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

As a precaution, immediately following the find, the storeroom was isolated from students and staff and an independent hygienist was engaged to provide advice.

Following advice from the hygienist, work to repair the wall and encapsulate the material took place on Monday 13 May 2024.

Work was done under the supervision of the independent hygienist with additional safety measures and air monitoring in place before the work started.

All work was done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

Following the work, the room was inspected by the independent hygienist and a clearance certificate was issued to reopen the storeroom.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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