Leumeah Public School

Works notification | 13 December 2022

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During the spring school holidays, work was undertaken at Leumeah Public School to remove and upgrade the vinyl flooring in the wet areas of six classrooms in Blocks C and G. During this work asbestos containing material was found in the glue fastening the vinyl in Classroom GR0005.

Upon the discovery of asbestos containing material, work was stopped, and the area was isolated and safety measures and air monitoring were put in place. All asbestos containing material was removed before the school term started in accordance with the advice of an independent hygienist and a clearance certificate was issued. New vinyl flooring was laid, and the classroom was re-opened for use.

Work to upgrade the flooring in the wet areas of the five remaining classrooms (CR0001, CR0004, GR0002, GR0003, GR0007) has been postponed and will resume over the summer school holidays between Wednesday 21 December 2022 and Thursday 26 January 2023.

This latest work will involve suspected asbestos containing material. As a precaution, testing will be conducted by an independent hygienist to determine the presence of asbestos containing material and if remediation is needed.

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

Inspections will occur to ensure the areas have been fully remediated and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is re-opened to students and staff.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority, and we will continue to keep you updated about any required remediation work.

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

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