

Macquarie Fields Public School

Works notification | 16 August 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

On Friday 11 August 2023, a fragment of suspected asbestos containing material was found in the grass on the back oval at Macquarie Fields Public School. As a precaution, the area was cordoned off immediately to keep students, staff and school visitors separate.

Testing was conducted by an independent hygienist and the material has been confirmed as bonded asbestos which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Work to remove the material took place after school hours on Monday 14 August 2023.

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

The back oval was inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated and the school received a clearance certificate before the area was reopened.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority. Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

