

Tuggerawong Public School

Works notification | 13 May 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

During recent construction to remove concrete and upgrade the covered outdoor learning area (COLA), a small piece of suspected asbestos-containing material was found in the soil underneath the COLA at Tuggerawong Public School.

The area was already fenced off within a construction zone and was inaccessible to students and staff. Testing by an independent hygienist confirmed the fragment contained bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that “living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged”.

The area where the fragment was found is not on the school’s asbestos register, which will be updated to include this recent find.

Work involving asbestos-containing materials will be completed outside of school hours on Saturday 24 May and Saturday 31 May 2025.

All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and inspected by an independent hygienist in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education’s Asbestos Management Plan.

Following an inspection the independent hygienist will provide clearance to continue the construction works.

This construction project is expected to be completed by around August 2025, weather and other conditions permitting.

Update on recent work in a demountable classroom

We would also like to update you on recent testing of the ceiling material in a demountable near the hall, outlined in the April [School holiday works notification – Autumn | 2025](#).

The independent hygienist tested the ceiling material and no asbestos material was present. The ceiling was repaired and the classroom has been reopened.

The health, safety and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

