

# Tuggerawong Public School

## Works notification | 28 August 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On 27 August 2024, disturbance to a ceiling sheet, from the replacement of a light fitting, in an office in Building E at Tuggerawong Public School was identified and reported. The ceiling sheeting in this office contains bonded asbestos material, as listed in the school's asbestos register. This 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.

The office was cordoned off from students and staff until the ceiling repairs can be completed. Alternative office space was arranged for staff to use. An independent hygienist was engaged to install air monitoring, assess and provide advice for the repair of the ceiling sheet.

Work to remediate the room will be done outside of school hours on Saturday 31 August 2024. As an extra precaution an environmental clean will also be undertaken within the office after the works are completed.

All work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be 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 office will be inspected by the independent hygienist and a clearance certificate will be issued before the area is 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.



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