Telopea Public School Works notification

Dear parents/carers,

During the school holidays, work was completed to install new and efficient LED lighting at Telopea Public School.

During the work, the contractor installing the lights disturbed the ceiling in walkways outside of classrooms, which contained asbestos.

Due to the contractor disturbing the asbestos material, the department then undertook work to remediate the areas to ensure they are safe for students and staff to use when school resumes in Term 4.

Remediation work in these areas was completed between Saturday 1 October and Friday 7 October 2022 in accordance with the advice of the independent hygienist and with appropriate safety measures and monitoring in place.

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

Testing was completed to ensure the areas have been fully remediated, and clearance certificates were provided today, allowing the spaces to be open to students and staff.

Remediation of the lower ground storerooms and GA's room in Block E has also been completed however the final clearance certificate for the GA's room is expected over the weekend. The area is safely cordoned off and will remain out of bounds to students and staff until the clearance certificate is provided.

Safety is the department's highest priority and we can assure you that the school is safe for teaching and learning. Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

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