

Heaton Public School

Works notification | 25 July 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

During a proactive inspection during the Winter School Holidays, a small gap in an external eave lining which encapsulates asbestos-containing material was identified and reported. This gap was in an external walkway in Building C (Preschool) at Heaton Public School.

The material in the ceiling cavity in this building is listed as friable asbestos on the school's asbestos register. Friable asbestos means it can be crumbled, pulverised, or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

To avoid any disruption to learning, all work to secure the existing encapsulation of the ceiling cavity was completed before school hours on Tuesday 23 July 2024.

Following the work, the area was inspected by an independent hygienist and clearance was provided to continue using the walkway on Tuesday 23 July 2024.

All air monitoring results to date have returned results below the minimum detectable limit, which means it is consistent with acceptable levels in ambient air (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL) as per SafeWork NSW guidelines.

All work was done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines. Safety measures and air monitoring will be in place before the work starts.

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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