

Heaton Public School

Works notification | 11 September 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Following on from the work outlined in the notification below, work to repair the leak and remediate the space in the Preschool (Building C) has been scheduled to take place after school hours today, Wednesday 11 September 2024.

As advised by the independent hygienist, the source of the leak has been identified and repaired. Current encapsulation measures that are in place will be reinstated and repaired to ensure the ceiling material remains secured.

An environmental clean of the internal spaces will also be conducted. Any impacted materials will be removed from this room as required.

The building will then be inspected by an independent hygienist and clearance will be provided before the area is reopened.

It is expected the **preschool will reopen on Thursday 12 September 2024**.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Notification issued on 10 September 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

In the afternoon of Tuesday 10 September, a water leak through the internal walls and ceilings was reported in Building C (Preschool) at Heaton Public School.

The material in the ceiling cavity in this building is listed as friable asbestos in the school's asbestos register. Friable asbestos means it can be crumbled, pulverised, or reduced to a powder by hand pressure. The asbestos-containing material in this building is encapsulated, with remediation works scheduled for the Summer Holidays.

The preschool will be non-operational on Wednesday 11 September 2024 while we repair the leak and undertake environmental cleaning. The building will then be inspected by an independent hygienist and clearance will be provided before the area is reopened. We will keep the community updated.

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. 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.

