

Heaton Public School

Works notification | 24 February 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

Following heavy rain, works to repair leaks in the roof of Building B at Heaton Public School took place on Wednesday 22 February. During works, asbestos containing material was found in the roof cavity above the library and canteen in the building.

The area was cordoned off before the work started. Work immediately stopped, and an independent hygienist attended the site to take samples, install air monitoring and provide the remediation scope for both the internal and external roof repairs. All appropriate safety measures are in place.

The library and canteen were cleaned, and the area remains isolated from students, staff, and school visitors.

Work to remediate the area will take place on Saturday 25 February 2023. All works involving asbestos containing materials will take place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and monitoring in place before works start.

Work will be done in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

The canteen and library will remain out of bounds to students and staff until the remediation and associated maintenance work on the roof is finished.

The area will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the canteen and library are reopened to students and staff.

Works are expected to be completed before Monday 27 February 2023.

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.

