

Penrith South Public School

Works notification | 8 March 2024

Dear staff, parents, and carers,

On Tuesday 4 March 2024, the porch entrance roof in Building D at Penrith South Public School was damaged by a delivery truck. Fragments of the roof sheeting fell on the ground to the side of the porch entrance. The area was immediately fenced off and made out of bounds to students and staff.

The roof is known to contain bonded asbestos as per the school's asbestos register. Material containing bonded asbestos means it was attached to other materials such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Work will be carried out to remove and replace the damaged roof on 16 March and 17 March 2024. As a precautionary measure, air monitoring has been put in place before the work starts. The area will remain out of bounds until the asbestos removal work is finished and the roof is replaced. An independent hygienist will inspect the area to confirm that it has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate. The fencing will then be removed, and the area will be reopened for regular school operations.

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.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority. If you have any questions about the work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

