## Valentine Public School Works notification | 14 October 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

As part of planned maintenance work at Valentine Public School, we have removed windows containing undisturbed asbestos material from an empty demountable classroom west of school quad (D12768). The demountable windows were then replaced using non-asbestoscontaining material.

This is the first stage of the work to prepare for this demountable classroom to be removed from the school site as it is no longer required. This demountable removal will be completed later in the year.

The window material in this demountable classroom contained bonded asbestos, as listed on the school's asbestos register. Bonded asbestos means it is attached to other materials such as tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low-risk.

This work took place within an isolated and fenced off area during the recent school holiday period on 9 October 2024.

Work was done under the supervision of an independent hygienist with additional safety measures and air monitoring in place before the work started.

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.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



