

Illaroo Road Public School

Works notification | 6 March 2026

Dear staff, parents and carers,

We are pleased to advise that maintenance is underway in Building F at Illaroo Road Public School to replace the carpet.

On Monday 23 February 2026, a staff member reported a mould-like odour in the classroom. An investigation was undertaken and contractors found mould underneath the carpet. In addition, the presence of material containing bonded asbestos were identified in the following areas:

- Vinyl tiles in classroom in Building F, this is an area not listed on the School's Asbestos Management Plan (SAMP). The SAMP will be updated accordingly regarding the recent results.
- Vinyl tiles in interview room in Building F, this is an area listed on the SAMP.

The rooms were immediately closed and secured to prevent access from students and staff and will be restricted. Learning was relocated to other available classrooms.

NSW Health explains that "living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged".

All work involving mould and asbestos-containing materials will take place on Saturday 21 March 2026, with appropriate safety measures in place. Work hours are between 8 am and 1 pm on Saturday, in line with NSW Environment Protection Authority guidelines.

An independent hygienist has been engaged to oversee the work and conduct air monitoring and testing following the removal of asbestos-containing materials. A clearance certificate will be provided before the rooms are reopened.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws as well as the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



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