Hornsby Heights Public School Works notification | 30 August 2024

Dear staff, parents, carers and neighbours,

In our works notification dated <u>20 August 2024</u>, we advised that small fragments of bonded asbestos were found during planned work to repair plumbing pipes at Hornsby Heights Public School on Wednesday 13 August.

Bonded asbestos means the substance is attached to other materials such as tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

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

The area has since been cordoned off and covered with thick plastic sheeting.

Work to remove the soil, containing the fragments, from under the plastic sheeting is scheduled for Saturday 31 August 2024.

All work will be done outside of school hours, in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures, including air-monitoring, will be in place while work is being done. 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.

We will keep the community updated.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



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