

# Hornsby North Public School

## School holiday works notification – Winter | 2025

Dear staff, parents, and carers,

The school holidays are the ideal time to complete maintenance and project work across the state without disrupting learning.

### Planned work over the winter break

We will be working at your school during the Winter School Holidays – from the end of the school day on Friday 4 July 2025 up to Day 1 Term 3 (Tuesday 22 July 2025).

During the winter break, we will be removing and replacing toilet partitions in several locations at Hornsby North Public School. This work is planned in the:

- student toilets in buildings C, D, E and F
- staff toilets in Building F.

The partition walls of these toilets are known to contain bonded asbestos as listed on the school's asbestos register. 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".

During the removal work there will be toilets isolated from students and staff with temporary fencing, air monitoring, signage and workers wearing personal protective equipment at the school.

All 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 asbestos contractors and inspected by an independent hygienist.

The vacation care program which operates from several buildings (A, B, C, D, E, F and G) will be open as usual.

Alternative toilets are available at the school for the vacation care community to use during the winter break.

Work hours will be between 7 am and 4 pm Monday to Friday and 8 am and 1 pm on Saturday in accordance with NSW Environment Protection Authority construction times.

### Outdoor areas inspected and cleared during term

To prepare for a proactive inspection, we fenced off an outdoor area on the eastern side of the school near the sports oval on Tuesday 10 June 2025. This area is identified on the school's site-specific asbestos management plan (SSAMP).



Proactive site inspection work involved engaging an independent hygienist to inspect the ground, collect and test materials found in these areas and clear the area for use.

The inspection occurred on Wednesday 11 June 2025 with safety measures in place.

All work was completed by licensed asbestos contractors and inspected by an independent hygienist in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan.

The independent hygienist provided clearance, and the outdoor area was reopened.

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.