Hornsby North Public School Works notification | 28 October 2024

Dear staff, parents, carers and neighbours,

On Thursday 17 October 2024, fragments of material suspected to contain asbestos were identified on the ground near the Old Berowra Road entrance at Hornsby North Public School.

This location is within an area identified on the school's site-specific asbestos management plan (SSAMP).

As a precaution, the area was fenced off and made inaccessible to students and staff. An independent hygienist was engaged to collect the fragments for testing, undertake air monitoring and provide remediation advice.

Testing confirmed the fragments contained bonded asbestos. 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.'

Work to clear the ground and inspect the site took place on Tuesday 22 October 2024. Work involving asbestos-containing materials occurred within school hours with safety measures in place.

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 asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists.

Following remediation, the area was inspected by the independent hygienist and clearance was provided to reopen the area for use.

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.



