

# Belair Public School

Project update | 17 April 2024

Dear students, parents and carers and staff

This is a quick update to let you know that we are continuing to manage known asbestos in-ground at Belair Public School.

We have been working with an independent hygienist to develop a Remediation Action Plan (RAP) to provide options for remediation work.

Following on from our last update ([27 February 2024](#)), the independent hygienist has provided recommendations for the next stages of work to support the RAP. The school holidays are the ideal time for a lot of maintenance and project work to take place in schools across the state without disrupting learning.

## Planned work over the Autumn School Holidays

Remediation work outlined below will take place during the Autumn School Holidays over the weekend of Saturday 20 April and Sunday 21 April 2024 and will not impact the operation of the vacation care program. Specifically, we have scheduled remediation work to begin along the western boundary in areas currently fenced off. See map outlined below.



**Note:** Green and purple highlighted remediation areas in the map above make up a combined area of approximately 700m<sup>2</sup>. This remediation 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 initial stages of remediation will be conducted over the weekend of 20 – 21 April 2024 with air monitoring in place. Works include:

- removing any temporary geofabric material
- clearing the area of any debris, wet raking and adding fresh topsoil.

Following this remediation work, the areas will be inspected to ensure control measures in place are appropriate before Term 2 starts.

The areas will continue to be fenced off during Term 2 (see map above) to enable the proposed landscaping works to occur and ensure that there is sufficient time for the turf and plants to establish. All work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan.

### **Planned work over Term 2 2024**

The next stages of remediation in the green and purple highlighted areas (in map above) will involve general construction and work which may begin to take place over the Autumn School Holidays and run into Term 2 2024. All other general landscaping construction work will be within the fenced area and will not impact the vacation care program or regular school operations. This will include a combination of:

- construction of new tiered walls and garden beds
- adding fresh topsoil, applying fresh mulch and new turf
- landscaping and mass planting of garden beds.

We will keep the community updated on next steps for work at the school and finalisation of the scope of work for further remediation.

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

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.