

Killarney Heights High School

Works notification | 7 March 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Friday 1 March, during planned work at Killarney Heights High School a contractor identified a cracked vinyl tile in the storeroom in Building A. It was suspected to contain asbestos materials. The room was immediately locked and made out of bounds.

We engaged an independent hygienist to inspect the site, remove and test the tiles. Testing has confirmed that the tiles contained bonded asbestos, which means they were attached to other materials such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

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

Work to remove and replace the vinyl tiles will be scheduled as soon as a licensed and accredited asbestos contractor is available. The room will remain locked and out of bounds until work is completed.

Following this removal work, an independent hygienist will inspect the room and the school will be issued with a clearance certificate before the room is reopened.

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 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 are 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.

