NSW Department of Education

Hayes Park Public School Works notification | 30 April 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During heavy rainfall on 6 – 7 April 2024, two classrooms in Building A at Hayes Park Public School were damaged. While inspecting the rooms vinyl tiles suspected to contain asbestos were found under the carpet.

These tiles are not listed on the school's asbestos register, so a sample was sent away for testing.

Testing has confirmed that the tiles contain bonded asbestos which means it is attached to vinyl or concrete and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

The rooms can still be used at present as the vinyl tiles are under carpet and flooring and are undisturbed.

Work to remove the tiles and replace the flooring will take place on Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 May 2024. The rooms will be cordoned off before the work starts, with additional safety measures and air monitoring put in place.

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 and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

After the work is completed, the rooms will be inspected by an independent hygienist to confirm they have been fully remediated. The school will receive a clearance certificate before they are reopened for students and staff on Monday 6 May 2024.

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.

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