

NSW Department of Education
Westport Public School
Works notification | 21 June 2024



Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Wednesday 5 June 2024, an external wall sheet on the Kindergarten and Year 1 building was damaged at Westport Public School.

The wall sheet is not listed on the school's asbestos register, however, as a precautionary measure, we encapsulated the sheet immediately and engaged an independent hygienist to organise testing.

On 13 June 2024, results confirmed the material contains bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains 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 replace the wall sheet and remediate the area will take place on Saturday 22 June 2024.

All work will be done outside of school hours, in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place while work is being done.

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 area will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated and a clearance certificate will be issued.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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