York Public School Works notification | 5 March 2024

Dear staff, parents/carers,

On Tuesday 20 February, fragments of material suspected to be asbestos were found in the grass adjacent to the entrance of York Public School. The site was immediately fenced off and made out of bounds.

The school has a site-specific asbestos management plan for known asbestos in ground. The fragment was found in an area listed on this plan.

Testing has confirmed that the fragments 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.

On Wednesday 21 February, remediation work took place to remove all the fragments. An independent hygienist inspected the area to confirm the area was fully remediated and the school was issued a clearance certificate. The area has now been made accessible.

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

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 us on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



