

# Matthew Pearce Public School

School holiday works notification | 18 July 2023

School Infrastructure NSW regularly inspects and maintains school infrastructure as part of a comprehensive and ongoing program to keep school assets in optimal condition and ensure the safety and wellbeing of our school community across more than 2,200 NSW schools.

The school holidays are the ideal time for some maintenance projects as it means work can take place without disrupting learning.

This is to notify you of work where planned maintenance over the holidays involved unexpectedly working with hazardous materials such as asbestos or lead containing material.

## **Remediation activities during planned maintenance over the winter school holidays**

During planned maintenance to replace the ceiling in Building D, asbestos containing material was identified in the ceiling lining of an external veranda before work started. The area remained cordoned off.

An occupational hygienist was engaged and confirmed that the material is bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

The ceiling lining is intact, and the veranda remains safe for occupation.

Work to remove the ceiling lining will be scheduled to take place during the upcoming spring school holidays to ensure there is no disruptions to learning.

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.

If you have any questions about the work, please contact us on the details below.

