

Katoomba Public School

Works notification | 28 November 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Wednesday 13 November 2024, 3 small fragments of building material suspected to contain asbestos were found on the ground near the playground equipment north of Building A at Katoomba Public School.

The area is listed on the school's Site Specific Asbestos Management Plan (SSAMP).

The fragments were immediately removed and the area was taped off and made out of bounds to students and staff.

We engaged an independent hygienist to remove samples for testing and inspect the area for more fragments. Test results confirmed the fragments contained bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that "living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged".

On Monday 18 November, the independent hygienist returned to inspect the area and was satisfied all visible fragments had been removed. A clearance certificate was issued and the areas were reopened for use.

The SSAMP has been updated to reflect the new information.

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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