

Mary Brooksbank School

Works notification | 9 June 2026

Dear staff, parents and carers,

The NSW Department of Education is aware of the ongoing management of mould issues and water leaks at Mary Brooksbank School.

We understand this time is challenging for students, staff and families given the change in routine and classrooms and thank you for your understanding and support during this important work.

Melaleuca, Koala and Kookaburra classrooms

On Sunday 7 June 2026, an independent hygienist undertook a whole school inspection of Mary Brooksbank School to look for mould. During this inspection, mould was found in the Melaleuca, Koala and Kookaburra classrooms. As a precautionary measure, these classrooms were immediately closed to students and staff.

We started environmental cleaning, repair and removal works for these classrooms, including carpet replacement, on Tuesday 9 June 2026.

The classrooms are expected to be reopened by late June 2026 when these works are finished, and we have received advice from the independent hygienist.

Banksia and Grevillea classrooms

On Monday 29 May 2026, a staff member reported a mould-like odour in the Banksia and Grevillea classrooms. An independent hygienist attended the school on Monday 1 June 2026 and completed a full inspection of these classrooms which included air monitoring. The results of the air monitoring were received on Wednesday 3 June 2026 and were consistent with the normal range expected in an indoor environment.

As a precautionary measure only, the affected areas were immediately closed to students and staff. Environmental cleaning and repair works started on Thursday 4 June 2026 and are expected to be finished on Friday 12 June 2026.

Bilby and Kangaroo classrooms

On Friday 1 May 2026 contractors replacing a broken water heater in a Building C storeroom at Mary Brooksbank School found mould on walls and metal shelving of the Bilby and Kangaroo classrooms, due to leaking water.

Following the advice of an independent hygienist, we are currently replacing the carpet, vinyl and wall sheeting in the Bilby and Kangaroo classrooms. Once these works are finished, the Kangaroo classroom will reopen on Monday 15 June 2026, following advice from the independent hygienist.

The Bilby classroom is expected to reopen on Day 1 of Term 3, when the repair works are finished.

All work involving mould is taking place with appropriate safety measures.



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NSW Health advises that mould spores are present virtually everywhere, both indoors and outdoors, and mould is part of a group of very common organisms called fungi that also include mushrooms and yeast.

Further information can be found on the [NSW Health Mould](#) Fact sheet.

We will keep the community updated.

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education using the details below.