Bexley Public School Works notification | 30 April 2025

Dear staff, parents, carers, and neighbours,

Further to our <u>works notification on 27 March 2025</u>, we wish to provide an update on the remediation work to address in ground asbestos at Bexley Public School.

As part of the remediation work, a number of trees on school grounds were required to be removed.

These trees were assessed onsite by an AQ5 arborist, who recommended their removal for a variety of reasons including:

- The root systems were preventing the full removal of contaminated soil.
- The root systems were damaged during remediation works, which posed a risk of future instability and tree failure.
- The arborist's assessment identified trees with advanced decay, and the excavation during remediation works increased the risk of future tree failure.

We understand the importance of preserving natural vegetation and will be offsetting the tree removal by planting a replacement tree for every tree that was removed.

We will continue to provide you with updates on the remediation as the project continues.

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

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



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