

Liverpool Public School

Works notification | 23 February 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Wednesday afternoon, 21 February 2024, during a routine inspection, fragments of building material suspected to contain asbestos were found on the ground of the sports oval at Liverpool Public School. Please note this work is unrelated to the mulch investigation that is being led by the Environment Protection Authority.

The area was made out of bounds to staff and students and temporary fencing was immediately put in place.

We engaged an independent occupational hygienist to inspect the site and remove samples for testing. This morning, Friday 23 February 2024, testing has confirmed that some of the fragments contain bonded asbestos which means it was attached to other materials such as tiles or cement 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.

Work to remediate the oval will take place this weekend on Sunday 25 February 2024, and as an added precautionary measure air monitoring will be put in place before the work starts.

All work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The oval will be inspected by an independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is reopened for use.

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.

