

Gosford High School

Works notification | 25 August 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Wednesday 13 August 2025, the roof lining on the side of the Administration Building facing the quadrangle at Gosford High School was found displaced. We secured the area with temporary fencing while works were being planned to remediate. On Thursday 21 August, due to poor weather, the roof lining has fallen and fragments have scattered across the awning below and into the already excluded area.

These linings are assumed to contain bonded asbestos as listed in the asbestos register and are awaiting test results to confirm. 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".

Licensed asbestos contractors have removed the asbestos in the affected area and will replace with a permanent non-hazardous material under the guidance of an independent hygienist.

Works to remove the fallen fragments started on Sunday 24 August 2025. As a precaution, we will be removing the rest of the eave sheet on Sunday 31 August 2025 and will finish around Sunday 7 September, weather permitting.

Works involving asbestos-containing materials will be done outside of school hours.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place including air monitoring while work is being done.

The area will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and a clearance certificate will be issued before the temporary fencing is removed.

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.