Goulburn High School Works notification | 12 August 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Following staff concerns of mould in Building M at Goulburn High School, the department organised an independent hygienist to inspect the subfloor storage areas over the weekend of Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 August 2024.

The suspected mould was confirmed to be soot, created when fires used to be lit in the subfloor storage areas. The hygienist also found fragments of suspected asbestos and removed samples for testing.

The storage areas were locked to staff and students to allow for further investigations.

A licensed and accredited asbestos contractor encapsulated the affected storage areas with black plastic as a temporary measure. Further remediation will be undertaken following the advice of the hygienist.

The hygienist is undertaking precautionary visual inspections of ceiling voids and sub-floor areas of other buildings.

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

Remediation work in Building C is continuing and we will have a further update for you later this week.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

We will keep the community updated.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



