

# Inverell High School

Works notification | 29 November 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

In preparation for work to replace carpets in Building A at Inverell High School earlier this year, contractors discovered vinyl tiles suspected to contain asbestos underneath the existing carpet. Testing confirmed the vinyl tiles, which were not listed on the school's asbestos register, contain asbestos.

The flooring was secured, and the school's asbestos register was updated. The rooms were reopened for use as the material is undisturbed and in good condition. The carpet replacement was rescheduled so that school operations would not be impacted.

Work to remove the vinyl tiles has now been confirmed for the summer school holiday period and will start from Monday 18 December 2023.

All work involving asbestos containing materials will take place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and monitoring in place before the work starts.

Work will be done in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations 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 building will be inspected by an independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate before it is reopened to staff.

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.

