## Kempsey High School Works notification | 22 July 2024

Dear staff, students and parents and carers,

We would like to inform you about mould remediation work that is underway at Kempsey High School.

On 19 June 2024, we closed the hall to investigate suspected mould growth.

On 21 June 2024, we engaged an independent hygienist to inspect the building, organise samples for testing and provide remediation recommendations if required.

On 28 June 2024, test results confirmed there were elevated levels of mould growth and remediation work is required. Air sampling results returned normal ecology readings.

Remediation work started in the Winter School Holidays and will continue into Term 3.

Remediation work includes:

- Further investigation into the source of the mould.
- Restoration work to fix the source of the mould once identified.
- Removal and replacement of porous items such as curtains, carpets and paper goods that can not be cleaned.
- Cleaning of all hard surfaces.
- Post remediation inspection and clearance.

All work involving hazardous materials has and will continue to take place outside of school hours, with safety measures in place while work is being done.

All inspections and remediation works will continue to be conducted in accordance with recommendations from the independent hygienist.

Use and access to the building will be restricted until a clearance certificate is received.

We are working with school staff to organise alternative arrangements in case this work is not completed in time for the HSC trial examinations.

We will continue to keep you informed about this work to allow students and staff enough time to prepare accordingly.

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.



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