

Narrandera High School

Community Update

17 June 2022

Dear staff and parents/careers,

Following on from the works notification below issued on 10 June 2022, we have been working closely with independent occupational hygienists and ventilation contractors to remediate moisture from the sub-floor and the inside of all of Block A at the school.

Testing will be completed this week to ensure the area has been fully remediated and notification of the results will be provided early next week. The school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is open to students and staff.

For Week 9 starting 20 June 2022, we will be continuing the current arrangements and organisation of Year 7-9 learning at Narrandera High School, Year 10 Learning at Narrandera East Infants School, and Year 11 and 12 learning at Narrandera Public School.

A temporary toilet block has been installed at Narrandera East Infants School to accommodate the additional students and staff on site.

If we receive clearance early in the week we will be moving as quickly as possible to return to our normal learning arrangements at Narrandera High School.

We will continue to provide updates on the progress of remediation works. We apologise for the continued disruption, and we thank you for your patience and cooperation during this important work.

10 June 2022

Dear staff and parents/carers,

School Infrastructure NSW is working with Narrandera High School to manage mould on the ground floor and second floor of Block A at the school.

- The ground floor of Block A consists of the main administration areas, food tech rooms, science labs and staff common room and staff study area.
- The second floor of Block A consists of arts and music classrooms, a computer room, general learning spaces and staff study area.

Remediation work to make the spaces safe is underway. This work involves appropriate cleaning and drying of spaces and is being done on the instruction of an independent occupational hygienist. As a precaution, the areas

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that are still impacted by mould have been cordoned off and will remain out of bounds to students and staff until remediation is completed.

In addition to cleaning and drying the impacted areas, the hygienist has instructed the contractor to improve ventilation and air circulation below Block A.

Block A classrooms will only be reopened for use once testing confirms the spaces are safe, and clearance is provided by the hygienist.

Next steps

Following the safe return to learning from the school buildings, additional investigations and a report will be commissioned to help determine the current condition of the school assets and to inform any additional works at the school. This may include improvements to ventilation, upgrades to improve storm water pipes and gutters and the removal of garden beds adjacent to school buildings to assist with adequate water drainage.

School Infrastructure NSW is working closely with hydraulic engineers and an independent occupational hygienist to develop a Remediation Action Plan, which will outline works that would ensure mould at the school is treated and eliminated. This planning phase is important to ensure works minimise this issue recurring.

Thank you for your patience

We apologise for the continued disruption and we thank you for your patience and understanding. The health and safety of students and our staff is our highest priority and we will continue to keep you informed of progress on this important work.

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