

# Narrandera High School

## Works notification | 24 July 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Following sewer and water damage at Narrandera High School, vinyl tiles located underneath the carpet in a Building F classroom have needed to be removed and replaced.

An independent hygienist was engaged to inspect the classroom during the Winter School Holidays for the remediation of the leaking sewer, and they suspected bonded asbestos was in the vinyl tiles which was not listed in the school's asbestos register.

The hygienist removed samples for testing and results received on Thursday 17 July 2025 confirmed the presence of bonded asbestos in the vinyl tiles. The room was already closed to staff and students due to the sewer leak and ongoing remediation.

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".

The remaining vinyl tiles that contain bonded asbestos will be removed on Saturday 26 July 2025.

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 while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and inspected by the independent hygienists to confirm it has been fully remediated, and a clearance certificate will be issued before the room is reopened.

Installation of new flooring will continue during Term 3 and the room is expected to reopen for regular school activities on Monday 4 August 2025.

The classroom will continue to be closed and learning relocated to other rooms on the school site until this work is completed.

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.

