

Muswellbrook High School

Works notification | 19 March 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Thursday 13 March 2025, a damaged ceiling sheet was reported in an external walkway of the classroom block near Dolahenty Street (Building J) at Muswellbrook High School.

Material in the ceiling of this walkway is known to contain bonded asbestos as listed on the school's asbestos register. 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 external walkway area was cordoned off and an independent hygienist was engaged to provide advice. The ceiling material was temporarily secured on Thursday 13 March 2025 with safety measures in place.

Work to permanently remove the material has been scheduled for Saturday 22 March 2025.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials will take place outside of school hours. All work was done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and monitored by an independent hygienist.

Following the work the area will be inspected by the independent hygienist and clearance will be provided to reopen the area.

Update on Building B and car park accessibility

Following on from the update provided on [25 August 2024](#), the chimneys above Building B will have additional engineering inspections done in late March 2025.

In Term 2, 2025 we will upgrade the school's car parking facilities, improving access to the administration block (Building A) and the adjacent support classrooms on the ground floor of Building B. This project is currently at tender.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority. If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



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