

NSW Department of Education

Nowra High School

Works notification | 11 June 2024



Dear staff, parents and carers,

On Friday 24 May 2024, concerns were raised by a staff member on the possibility of asbestos in the ceiling cavity in 2 classrooms in Building F at Nowra High School.

The ceiling material is not listed on the school's asbestos register, however as a precautionary measure we locked the rooms and made them inaccessible.

Students and staff who normally use these rooms were moved to other classrooms in the school to continue their face-to-face learning.

We immediately engaged an independent hygienist to organise samples for testing and conduct air monitoring.

On Monday 27 May 2024, testing and monitoring confirmed that the ceiling cavity and ceiling material does not contain asbestos.

A clearance certificate was received from the independent hygienist and students and staff returned to the classrooms on Tuesday 28 May 2024.

All work was done outside of school hours, in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures were in place while work was done. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

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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