Cabramatta High School Works notification | 6 December 2024

Dear staff, parents, and carers,

A contractor has found 2 fragments of fibre cement sheeting, suspected to contain asbestos, during maintenance work for the outdoor gym at Cabramatta High School on Monday 2 December 2024.

The area was not listed in the school's asbestos register.

As a precaution, work was stopped and access to the area was restricted with temporary fencing.

The fragments were removed by an independent hygienist the same day (2 December) with air monitoring in place.

Testing by the independent hygienist confirmed the presence of bonded asbestos.

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.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials took place within school hours with safety measures in place, in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan.

All work was completed by licensed asbestos contractors and monitored by the independent hygienist.

A clearance certificate was issued on Wednesday 4 December confirming that the area had been fully remediated. Maintenance work resumed on the outdoor gym resumed the same day, following which the temporary fencing was removed, and the area was reopened for use by students and staff.

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.



