## Hunter River High School Works notification | 31 January 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During the school holidays, excavation for the slab of a new storage building at Hunter River High School resulted in the discovery of fragments of suspected asbestos containing material in the ground.

Work immediately stopped and the area was fenced off within the construction site until it had been remediated, which took place between Monday 16 January and Friday 20 January 2023.

Safety measures and monitoring were in place and the area will remain out of bounds to anyone on site until the removal and associated maintenance work is completed.

The area was remediated in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

Testing was completed to ensure the area has been fully remediated, the school has received a clearance certificate and work on the project will now continue.

The health, safety and wellbeing of the school and local community is our highest priority.

