

Blakehurst High School

Works notification | 18 February 2026

Dear staff, parents and carers, and neighbours,

We would like to provide you with information on removal work occurring on Saturday 21 February 2026 at Blakehurst High School.

Removal of material

We will be removing undisturbed asbestos-containing material (ACM) from buildings A and E.

An independent hygienist was engaged in November 2025 to inspect all areas including buildings A and E and conduct air monitoring.

Air monitoring results to date are below the minimum detectable limit, which means it is consistent with acceptable levels in ambient air (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL) as per SafeWork NSW guidelines.

Geological samples, in the form of small rocks, no longer used for teaching will be removed from a hallway cabinet in Building A (science block).

These were used historically as learning aids and are currently secured inside a locked science cabinet only accessed by staff.

Some of these geological samples are known to contain naturally occurring friable ACM, meaning it can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

In Building E (art block), an incinerator that is no longer in use will be removed from a staff toilet. This sealed and locked incinerator was used historically for waste removal but has not been operational for many years.

The small incinerator contains internal material identified as undisturbed and sealed friable ACM.

Following removal of the geological samples and incinerator, all areas will be environmentally cleaned and inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm they have been fully remediated. Air monitoring will be in place during the removal work.

All work will be 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 clearance provided by the independent hygienist.

Demountable classrooms removal

We are removing two demountable classrooms from Blakehurst High School and transporting them to a storage facility. Located near the sports court, these demountable classrooms are no longer required by the school.



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On Saturday 21 February 2026 between 7 am and 6 pm, we will be removing these classrooms from the eastern side of the school. The demountable buildings have undisturbed bonded ACM in the window putty, as listed in the School Asbestos Management Plan. As a requirement of transportation, the contractor have placed a precautionary asbestos warning sign on the construction fencing.

There is no asbestos removal work being done on the demountable buildings while they are on the school site.

During the work, there will be an increase in heavy vehicle movements.

Work will involve a mobile crane safely lifting sections of the building onto trucks. Entry and exit of construction vehicles will be from Forster Street.

Traffic management will be in place during this work. Please follow the directions of any temporary signage and traffic controllers as needed.



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We will ensure works are carried out safely and efficiently to minimise impacts to the community.

For more information on how construction impacts will be managed, please scan the QR code or visit the School Infrastructure website: [Managing construction impacts in your community \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au).

The health, safety and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

If you have any questions, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.