

Heathcote High School

Works notification

11 November 2022

Dear staff, parents/carers,

Due to recent heavy rains and erosion events, yesterday several fragments of asbestos containing material were found at Heathcote High School on the oval and near the basketball court and gymnasium. The material has been confirmed as bonded asbestos which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Work to remediate the area will take place on Saturday 11 November 2022. All asbestos containing material will be removed outside of school hours and in accordance with the advice of an independent hygienist.

We are following all the advice and protocols of asbestos removalists, assessors and other experts.

The affected area was immediately cordoned off and safety measures and monitoring were put in place. The area will remain out of bounds to students and staff until the remediation is completed.

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

The area will be inspected to ensure the area has been fully remediated. The school will receive a clearance certificate prior to the area being reopened to students and staff.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority and we will continue to keep the community updated.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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