

Moree Secondary College Albert Street Campus Works notification | 21 June 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

On 14 June 2024, during a routine inspection, damage to a ceiling sheet in an external undercover walkway, located outside of a classroom in Building B at Moree Secondary College, Albert Street Campus was identified and reported.

Following the inspection, the area was cordoned off from students and staff and an alternative classroom space was made available until the repairs could be completed.

The ceiling sheeting in the walkway contains bonded asbestos material, as per the school's asbestos register. This means it was attached to other materials such as a painted surface, tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low-risk.

As a precaution, an independent hygienist was engaged to assess and provide advice for the repair of the ceiling sheet.

Work to remove the material will be done outside of school hours in the upcoming Winter School Holiday period between 8 July 2024 and 12 July 2024.

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 and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

Following the work, the walkway will be inspected by the independent hygienist and a clearance certificate will be issued before the area is reopened.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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