

# Cobar High School

Works notification | 27 February 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

Large furniture was recently removed from the Deputy Principal's Office in Building F at Cobar High School, uncovering some vinyl tiles containing asbestos material as listed on the school's asbestos register. This undisturbed flooring underneath the furniture did not have a carpet layer in this section of the room.

On a proactive inspection of the school site, undisturbed vinyl tiles were also identified in Building B between two classrooms, which had been uncovered following the removal of a wall. This flooring was also listed on the school's asbestos register.

Both rooms were immediately cordoned off from staff and students.

Following recommendations from an independent hygienist, work has been scheduled to remove the tiles in the office in Building F and to encapsulate the tiles in Building B with rubber.

This work took place after school hours on Friday 23 and Saturday 24 February, and the following week on Friday 1 and Saturday 2 March 2024. Additional safety measures and air monitoring will be in place before the work starts.

Work was done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW 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.

The areas will be inspected by an independent hygienist to confirm the flooring has been remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate.

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.

