

# Tenterfield High School

## Works notification | 6 August 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

While replacing carpet in the multi-categorial classroom (MC class) at Tenterfield High School on Thursday 11 July 2024, a contractor found suspected asbestos tiles.

The room was already closed to students and staff due to scheduled room upgrade works.

The work was stopped and the MC class was closed, preventing access to the adjoining computer resource room and computer storeroom.

An independent hygienist took samples on 17 July, which confirmed the presence of bonded asbestos.

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

We are planning to remediate the area and replace the asbestos tiles later this term.

The rooms will remain out of bounds until this work is completed.

All work will be done outside of school hours, in accordance with work, health, and safety laws, and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan.

Safety measures will be in place while work is being done. All work will be carried out by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The area will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated. A clearance certificate will be issued before the upgrade work continues.

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

We will continue to keep you updated.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

