Brisbane Water Secondary College - Woy Woy Campus Works notification | 23 October 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

During a recent routine inspection, damage to a ceiling panel was identified in the women's staff toilet in Building D at Brisbane Water Secondary College - Woy Woy Campus. Encapsulated material within the ceiling void above this toilet is known to contain friable asbestos as listed on the school's asbestos register.

Friable asbestos means it can be crumbled, pulverised, or reduced to a powder by hand pressure. Please refer to NSW Health's <u>Asbestos fact sheet</u> for more information.

Following the inspection the toilet was isolated and blocked off. An independent hygienist was engaged to provide advice and install air monitoring.

Work to repair the damaged ceiling encapsulation took place outside of school hours on Tuesday 22 October 2024 under the supervision of the independent hygienist.

All air monitoring results to date have returned results 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.

All 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 independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

Following the work, the toilet was inspected by the independent hygienist and clearance was provided.

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

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.



