

# Castle Hill High School

## Works notification

**6 May 2020**

Dear parents/carers,

The Department of Education has commissioned proactive investigations to identify potentially hazardous materials at Castle Hill High School to ensure the continued health and safety of the school community.

Testing conducted by an independent hygienist has confirmed the presence of asbestos in the roof spaces of Blocks A, B, C, D and E at the school. These roof spaces are inaccessible to students and staff.

Comprehensive tests of the roof spaces and classrooms have been carried out and all air monitoring has returned results below the minimum detection limit (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL).

As a precaution, licenced contractors will implement approved control measures; including sealing any potential penetrations to the ceiling cavity. This ensures the material is appropriately encapsulated, as well as being inaccessible. The work will be completed in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and a clearance certificate will be given by an independent hygienist confirming students and staff can safely occupy the rooms.

The Department is also planning remediation work to remove this material at a later date. School Infrastructure NSW will work with staff at Castle Hill High School to ensure it has minimal impact to school operations.

We will keep you informed about this work once the project is developed. Please be assured that this material does not pose a risk to the school community.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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