

Whitebridge High School

Works notification | 30 April 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Following heavy rain which caused roof leaks on Monday 28 April 2025, we isolated 3 classrooms and a corridor in the Science Building (Block E) and a classroom in the Technological and Applied Studies Building (Block A) at Whitebridge High School.

Contractors secured the roof during the school holidays to prevent any further leaks from occurring.

These areas will remain isolated from students and staff due to water damage and until all repairs and environmental cleaning can be completed. Alternative learning spaces and classrooms within the school will be provided for the start of Term 2.

The ceiling cavities in buildings E and A contain secured material listed as friable asbestos on the school's asbestos register. Friable asbestos means it can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

An independent hygienist was engaged and attended the school on Tuesday 29 April 2025 to inspect the classrooms, provide advice and install air monitoring.

Air monitoring 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.

The surfaces and carpets in these rooms will be environmentally cleaned and dried on Saturday 3 May 2025.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials will take place outside of school hours. 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 asbestos contractors and inspected by independent hygienists.

After cleaning, the classrooms will be inspected by the independent hygienist and cleared before they are reopened.

The health, safety and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

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.



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