NSW Department of Education



Georges River College Peakhurst Campus Works notification | 29 April 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

On 12 April 2024, a pipe burst in the gym inside Building F at Georges River College Peakhurst Campus. The room was locked to prevent access to staff or students. Following the work to fix the pipe, a follow up inspection on 26 April 2024 looking for water damage to the carpets identified suspected asbestos containing material in the vinyl tiles located under the carpet. On advice from an independent hygienist the room remained locked to prevent access to staff and students.

We engaged an independent hygienist to inspect the area and testing on 26 April 2024, which confirmed the vinyl tiles did contain asbestos. The asbestos is bonded which means it is attached to other material such as vinyl or concrete and cannot be crumbled under light pressure.

Work to remove the material took place on Saturday 27 April 2024 and the carpets were replaced on Sunday 28 April 2024.

Work was done under the supervision of an independent hygienist with additional safety measures and air monitoring in place during the work. The gym has been inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and the school has received a clearance certificate before the reopened to staff and students.

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.

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.

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