

Kirrawee High School

Works notification | 17 November 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

Kirrawee High School has a site-specific asbestos management plan in place for known asbestos in grounds. As part of this plan, routine walk throughs are conducted to inspect the grounds for any suspected asbestos containing material.

Fragments of suspected asbestos containing material were found on two occasions.

Playground between Building A and L

Fragments of suspected asbestos containing material were found between Building A and L.

An independent hygienist attended the site, set up air monitoring and conducted remediation. The hygienist tested the fragments and confirmed that the material within the fragments is bonded asbestos. This means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Grass patch between basketball courts and Building C

Fragments of suspected asbestos containing material were found on the grass between the basketball courts and Building C.

An independent hygienist attended the site and set up air monitoring while we await test results.

As per the management plan actions, on both occasions, the fragments were removed, and the area was immediately fenced and secured so it is out of bounds to anyone on site.

All work involving asbestos containing materials took place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and air monitoring in place.

Work was done in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

Following the work, the hygienist provided the school with a clearance certificate and the areas have been reopened.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

