

NSW Department of Education

James Busby HS

Works notification | 7 May 2024



Dear staff, parents/carers,

On Tuesday 30 April a wall was damaged in the support unit calming room in Building C in James Busby High School.

According to the school's asbestos register, this wall contains bonded asbestos. This means the asbestos is bonded to another substance such as concrete or vinyl and cannot be crumbled under light pressure.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low risk.

The area of the wall that was damaged has been encapsulated with timber panels by a licensed and accredited asbestos contractor.

An independent hygienist conducted an inspection and undertook air monitoring in the room as a precautionary measure.

All work to encapsulate the room 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 an independent hygienist in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The support unit calming room was inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm the room can remain open and a clearance certificate was issued.

Further remediation works in the room are being planned for later this term. Those works will take place outside of school hours.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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