## Casula High School

## Works notification | 7 March 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

We received notification today from the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) that a sample collected during their visit on Friday 1 March 2024 tested positive to asbestos. This sample was found in an area that is known to contain asbestos in the ground and is being managed under the school's Site-Specific Asbestos Management Plan.

The area has been fenced off and made out of bounds for students and staff and will be remediated under the guidance of an independent hygienist. As an added precaution, air monitoring has been set up.

From Friday 8 March, students and staff are asked to access the school through Gate 2 from Myall Road.

Work is scheduled for this weekend, Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 March as part of the remediation action plan. This will include a detailed inspection and walk through of all external areas of the school site.

Remediation work recommended by the independent hygienist 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 and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines. This may include the use of personal protective equipment as an extra layer of protection.

When remediation work is completed, the area will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm it has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate before the area is reopened for use.

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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