Davidson High School

Works notification | 19 March 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

During a routine site inspection on Monday 11 March 2024, a contractor found broken ceiling sheets in a room in Building H which is used as part of a learning lab for staff and students and the general administration room in Building A.

The general administration room in Building A contains known asbestos in ceiling sheets as per the school's asbestos register. The ceiling in the storeroom in Building H is not listed on the school's asbestos register but was treated as suspected asbestos containing material.

Following the find, the rooms were immediately locked and made out of bounds and the material was removed for testing.

Testing confirmed the material in the storeroom in Building H as bonded asbestos, which means it was attached to other materials such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

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

On Thursday 14 March, an independent hygienist inspected both rooms and provided the school with a clearance certificate. The rooms have now been reopened.

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 and regulations.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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