

Lambton High School

Works notification | 22 February 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

On Monday 20 February, during planned maintenance works to repair rain damage to the ceiling of a classroom in Building F at Lambton High School, suspected asbestos containing material was identified.

Work immediately stopped, the material was encapsulated, and the room remains cordoned off to students and staff. No students or staff were in the area when the maintenance works took place.

An independent hygienist inspected the area on Monday 20 February. Their testing has confirmed that the material is bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Work to remove the material started on Tuesday 21 February and is expected to be finished by Thursday 23 February 2023. All works involving asbestos containing materials will take place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and monitoring in place before works start.

The area will remain out of bounds to students and staff until the removal and associated maintenance work is finished.

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

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 classroom is reopened to students and staff.

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.

