

Chifley College Shalvey Campus

Works notification | 20 March 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

We are upgrading 2 food technology kitchens and 2 food preparation rooms in Building 2 at Chifley College Shalvey Campus.

The work includes removing and replacing kitchen cabinetry and vinyl flooring and installing new kitchen appliances.

On Monday 3 March 2025 during floor removal work, contractors found glue under the vinyl suspected to contain asbestos.

Work stopped immediately and we engaged an independent hygienist to organise a sample for testing.

The rooms were locked to restrict contractor access. The building has been inaccessible to both students and staff since the upgrade work began.

Test results confirmed the glue contains bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that 'living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged'.

Work to remove the asbestos-containing glue will begin on Sunday 23 March 2025. If the contractors are unable to complete the work in one day, they will return on Sunday 30 March to finish the remediation.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials will take place outside of school hours.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists.

The rooms will be inspected by the independent hygienist to confirm they are fully remediated, and a clearance certificate will be issued before the rest of the upgrade work continues.

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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