

Muirfield High School

Works notification | 4 December 2024

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Fragment found on the oval

On Thursday 28 November 2024, a fragment of material suspected to contain asbestos was identified on the oval at Muirfield High School.

An independent hygienist was engaged to collect the fragment for testing, undertake air monitoring and advise on remediation.

Testing has confirmed that the fragment contained 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'.

This location is in an area identified on the school's site-specific asbestos management plan (SSAMP). Work to clear and inspect the ground took place the same day so the area was cleared to be used directly following the inspection.

All work involving asbestos-containing materials took place within school hours under the supervision of an independent hygienist with safety measures in place.

Leaking downpipe in Building C1

In November, plumbing work was conducted to repair a leak on an exterior downpipe in Building C1.

Due to the leak, a small amount of mould was detected in the wall of this building. Building C is also known to contain bonded asbestos material in the exterior walls as listed on the school's asbestos register.

Work to remove the mould and repair the leak to prevent any further water damage occurring, will involve working with bonded asbestos material. This repair work will be conducted outside school hours as soon as possible, on an upcoming Saturday in December 2024, once contractors are available.

Work will be done under the supervision of an independent hygienist with additional safety measures and air monitoring in place before the work started.

All work 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.



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

If you have any questions about this work, please contact the NSW Department of Education on the details below.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.