

Callaghan College Waratah Campus

Works notification

13 October 2022

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During landscaping work at Callaghan College, Waratah Campus, asbestos containing material was found in the garden beds adjacent to Block H. The material has been confirmed as bonded asbestos which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

The area has been cordoned off and safety measures have been implemented including stockpiling soil and covering it with geofabric, as well as installation of air monitoring.

Work to remove the contaminated soil will take place over two consecutive weekends between Saturday 15 October and Sunday 16 October and Saturday 22 October and Sunday 23 October 2022. All asbestos containing material will be removed outside of school hours.

This area will be remediated in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan, and any relevant site-specific management plans. 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, and based on assessment of site context and conditions.

The area will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated. The construction contractor will receive a clearance certificate, following remediation.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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