

Callaghan College Waratah Campus

Works notification | 18 March 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

We are continuing with roof replacements on buildings G and L at Callaghan College Waratah Campus, as advised on [6 February 2025](#). There are now some temporary classroom changes due to bad weather.

Rain impact on Building G

During heavy rain on Sunday 9 March 2025, water leaked through the top of Building G, causing water damage in one of 3 ground floor support classrooms, known as Room 3.

Room 3 has been closed since Monday 10 March 2025. This class, and other classes in the adjoining 2 classrooms, were moved to other spaces in the school. Contractors have repaired the roof damage to limit future leaks.

As a precaution an independent hygienist inspected the rooms on Monday and installed air monitoring to test for the presence of friable asbestos. Friable asbestos can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

Air monitoring results were below the minimum detectable limit, which means it is consistent with acceptable levels in ambient air (i.e. <0.01 fibres/mL) as per SafeWork NSW guidelines.

The surfaces in the support classrooms will be professionally cleaned, and carpets replaced. The ceiling sheeting will be repaired and replaced where required.

Classroom locations

To prioritise the wellbeing of students and staff, and ensure the continuation of learning, the support classes have been relocated to the Human Society and its Environment (HSIE) classrooms.

In the interim, HSIE classes have been timetabled to fit into other teaching spaces in the school.

From Term 2 2025, HSIE classes will move to demountables that will be delivered in coming weeks and remain until roof replacement works for buildings G and L are finished. This is to provide additional and ongoing space for teaching, and eliminate the potential for further disruption to learning while this project is taking place.

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

We will provide information on school holiday works in coming weeks.

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.

