Newcastle High School - Cooks Hill Campus

Works notification | 13 June 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

During routine inspections at Newcastle High School - Cooks Hill Campus, asbestos containing material was found in a pipe in an unused hot water unit in the counsellor's office in Building 1.

While the unit has not been in use by the school for years and is disconnected hot water pipe, the unit has been sealed as an added precaution.

Work to remove the pipe that contains asbestos will take place on Wednesday 21 June 2023, outside of school hours. Additional safety measures and monitoring in place before the work starts.

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 office will be inspected by an independent hygienist to confirm the hot water unit has been fully remediated, and the school will receive a clearance certificate before it is reopened.

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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