Toormina High School Works notification | 4 December 2024

Dear staff, parents, carers, and neighbours,

The NSW Department of Education regularly inspects and maintains its assets.

We will be repairing the storm damaged roofs across all of the buildings at Toormina High School.

This project will occur in stages with works expected to be completed before the start of the 2026 school year.

Works during the Summer School Holidays 2024/25

The first stage involves replacing the roof on Building C and will occur during the Summer School Holidays. This period may include from the end of the school day on Friday 20 December 2024 up to the first day of Term 1, Friday 31 January 2025.

Part of this work involves disturbing the ceiling void which is known to contain bonded asbestos as listed on the school's asbestos register.

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".

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 in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists.

Once the ceiling void has been remediated, an independent hygienist will inspect the area and issue a clearance certificate before contractors proceed and complete the roof replacement before Day 1, Term 1 2025.

Ongoing work to remove hazardous materials

The ceiling voids in most of the buildings at Toormina High School are known to contain bonded asbestos and are listed on the school's asbestos register.

In future stages of this project, work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. In all cases we will follow the recommendations of the independent hygienist, which may include restricting access to the area until a clearance certificate is issued.

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

Construction work hours

Work has been coordinated with the school to occur during the holiday period to avoid disruption to student learning.

Work hours will be Monday to Friday 7 am to 6 pm and Saturday 8 am to 1 pm.



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Contractors and vehicles will access the school via the main vehicle access gate on Cavanba Road. All work vehicles will be parked on site in the school car park.

We will endeavour to minimise noise where possible.

For more information on how we manage construction impacts, visit the School Infrastructure website: <u>Managing construction impacts in your community (nsw.gov.au).</u>

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.

