

Smiths Hill High School

School holiday works notification | June 2023

School Infrastructure NSW regularly inspects and maintains school infrastructure as part of a comprehensive and ongoing program to keep school assets in optimal condition and ensure the safety and wellbeing of our school community across more than 2,200 NSW schools.

The school holidays are the ideal time for some maintenance projects as it means work can take place without disrupting learning.

Planned maintenance over the holidays may involve working with hazardous materials such as asbestos or lead containing material. This is to notify you of this work.

Planned maintenance over the winter school holidays

We are replacing the flooring in the common areas of Levels 00 and 01, of Building A at Smith Hills High School.

Part of this work will involve working with asbestos containing materials located in the tiles underneath the current carpet. These areas are being safely used at present, as the tiles are undisturbed and covered with carpet.

The material being removed is confirmed as non-friable (bonded asbestos) which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

These works will take place **during the July school holidays, from the end of school on Friday 30 June to Monday 17 July 2023.**

Block A common areas will be cordoned off before works start, and safety measures and monitoring put in place under the advice of an independent hygienist. It will remain out of bounds to anyone visiting the school site until the removal and remediation work is finished.

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 common areas will be inspected by an independent hygienist to ensure they have been fully remediated. The school will receive a clearance certificate before the areas are reopened for next term.

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.

If you have any questions about the work, please contact us on the details below.

