

South Sydney High School

Works notification | 31 July 2026

Dear staff, parents and carers,

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

On Friday 24 July 2026, a fragment of material suspected to contain asbestos was identified in the courtyard between buildings A and B on the southern side of South Sydney High School.

As a precaution, the area was temporarily isolated and an independent hygienist was engaged to collect the fragment for testing and provide advice. Testing results confirmed the material contained bonded asbestos.

This area was not previously identified on the School Asbestos Management Plan (SAMP). The register will be updated to include this find.

Work to remove the fragment and clear the surrounding grounds took place outside of school hours on Monday 27 July 2026. An independent hygienist inspected the area afterwards and provided clearance for it to be reopened.

Safety measures were in place during this work. All work was done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan.

Asbestos was used widely in Australian building materials before 1990. We manage the presence of asbestos in NSW public schools by maintaining an Asbestos Management Plan for each school and engaging independent hygienists for expert advice.

If you have any questions about this, please contact the NSW Department of Education using the details below.

Thank you for your understanding and support.



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