

# Cherrybrook Technology High School

Works notification | 20 January 2023

Dear community,

A project is underway at Cherrybrook Technology High School to build new Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) facilities (Building M).

Site establishment work started on site on 16 January 2023. During preliminary site investigations, fragments of asbestos containing material were found on the surface of the grounds of the site of the new building. Test results confirmed that the material was bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure. An independent hygienist and soil sampling also confirmed that while no asbestos containing material was present under the soil, as a precaution it is recommended to remove and safely dispose of an area of approximately 2000m of top soil before construction begins.

Remediation works on the site will start from Monday 23 January 2023 and are anticipated to be finished by Monday 30 January 2023.

Before works start, safety measures and monitoring will be put in place. The area is within the construction site, which will remain out of bounds to students and staff until the project is completed.

The area will be remediated in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations, the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan and the site-specific action plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited independent asbestos contractors, and monitored by occupational hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies and guidelines.

This work will involve approximately 10 trucks per day entering and leaving the school site via the Purchase Street carpark entrance over the week. The trucks leaving the site with contaminated material will be covered and take their loads to an authorised waste facility.

Traffic control measures, including staggered deliveries and traffic control personnel will be in place to minimise impacts to local residents. Vehicles will give way to pedestrians at all times and traffic controllers will be used when required to manage entry and exit of vehicles to and from the construction site. Trucks will load and unload within school grounds and will not idle on residential streets.

Construction work hours will be 7 am to 6 pm Monday to Friday and 8 am to 1 pm on Saturdays. No work will take place on Sundays or public holidays unless otherwise notified.

The area will be inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated and the school will receive a clearance certificate before work on the project resumes.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority and we will continue to keep the community updated.

Thank you for your understanding during this important work.

