

## Belmore Boys High School

### Works notification | 7 May 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

On 11 April 2024, a ball was kicked into the ceiling of the corridor between the Science Building and the Technology Building at Belmore Boys High School. This caused damage to the ceiling sheets that is known to contain bonded asbestos, as listed in the school's asbestos register.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low risk.

As a precaution, the area was fenced off temporarily until the damaged ceiling sheet could be covered with temporary sheeting.

Following advice from an independent hygienist, the fencing was removed and the corridor has been reopened for access while work is being scheduled to remove the asbestos containing ceiling sheets outside of school hours on Monday 13 May. The area will be cordoned off before work starts, with safety measures and air monitoring in place.

Following this work, the independent hygienist will inspect the area and provide a clearance certificate before it can be reopened for students and staff.

All asbestos work will be done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work will be completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

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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