

Hunter School of Performing Arts

Works notification | 15 March 2024

Dear staff and parents/carers,

After the recent warm and wet weather conditions, staff noticed areas in Building J with visible mould. An independent hygienist was engaged to undertake testing and to provide remediation advice.

Testing confirmed mould was present in the storage areas of a kitchen (in the Food Technology classroom) and in a storeroom in the Technological & Applied Studies/Art (Building J) at Hunter School of Performing Arts.

These affected storage areas were cordoned off and remediation will be scheduled once licensed contractors can be made available. Remediation will involve environmentally cleaning the spaces and removing any impacted materials in affected areas after school hours.

As a precaution and in addition to the work above, a small section of damaged ceiling in a classroom in Technological & Applied Studies/Art block (Building J), was isolated from students and staff on 6 March and tested for asbestos by a hygienist. Results of the ceiling testing were negative, so no asbestos remediation work was needed, and the classroom was reopened.

All work involving hazardous materials will take place outside of school hours, with additional safety measures and monitoring in place while work is being done. All inspections and remediation works will be conducted in accordance with recommendations from the independent hygienist. Use and access to the areas will be restricted until a clearance certificate is received.

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.

