

Northern Beaches Secondary College – Balgowlah Campus

Works notification | 23 March 2023

Dear staff and parents/carers,

We are currently refurbishing the staff room in Building G at Northern Beaches Secondary College – Balgowlah Campus.

During floor upgrades, asbestos containing material was found underneath the carpet. The material has been confirmed as bonded asbestos which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

Work will take place on Saturday 1 April. All asbestos containing material will be removed outside of school hours and in accordance with the advice of the independent hygienist.

The area is cordoned off within the worksite and additional safety measures including air monitoring will be in place during the remediation. The area is separated by hoarding and a fence around the perimeter of the construction site, remaining of bounds to students, staff and visitors.

This area will be remediated 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 area will be inspected to ensure the area has been fully remediated. The construction contractor will receive a clearance certificate before continuing with the upgrade work.

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 cooperation during this important work.

