

St Marys Senior High School

Works notification | 5 December 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

While we were repairing damaged carpet in the TAS building, tiles and adhesive suspected to contain asbestos were found under the carpet at St Marys Senior High School.

The area around the affected music storeroom and practice room have been isolated. The rooms will be inaccessible to students and teachers until works are finished over the school holidays.

An independent hygienist was engaged to test a sample. Test results confirmed that the tiles and adhesives contain bonded asbestos.

NSW Health explains that “living or working with asbestos, or just being around it, is a low risk to your health as long as the asbestos is in good condition and not damaged”.

As part of the carpet repair, we will now also remove asbestos-containing materials in the affected area, outside of school hours when no students are present.

All asbestos-related work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education’s Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors inspected by independent hygienists.

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

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

