

Riverstone High School

Works notification | 9 October 2023

School Infrastructure NSW regularly inspects and maintains school infrastructure as part of a comprehensive and ongoing program to keep school assets in optimal condition and ensure the safety and wellbeing of our school community across more than 2,200 NSW schools.

The school holidays are the ideal time for some maintenance projects as it means work can take place without disrupting learning.

This is to notify you that remediation of an unexpected find of asbestos was completed during the holidays.

Remediation activities during planned maintenance over the Spring school holidays

During planned maintenance to demolish the old shed to build a new one, potential asbestos containing material was identified in the ground under the concrete slab. Work immediately stopped and the area was cordoned off and covered with a tarp.

An independent occupational hygienist inspected the area and collected samples for testing. Testing confirmed that the material is bonded asbestos, which means it is attached to other material such as cement or vinyl and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

The asbestos containing material was removed during the spring school holidays, on Friday 6 October 2023.

This work was done in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was 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 was inspected to ensure it has been fully remediated and the contractor received a clearance certificate to continue the shed installation work.

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.

If you have any questions about the work, please contact us on the details below.

