

Riverstone High School

School holiday works notification – Autumn | 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

The school holidays are the ideal time to complete maintenance and project work across the state without disrupting learning.

Planned work over the Autumn School Holidays

We will be working at your school during the Autumn School Holidays – from the end of the school day on Friday 11 April up to Day 1 Term 2 (Wednesday 30 April).

On Monday 24 March 2025, fragments assumed to contain asbestos were found on the ground in a section of the oval near the agricultural plot at Riverstone High School.

The fragments were found during investigation works in an out of bounds area that students and staff do not use. This area has been further marked out of bounds with witches hats.

This area is not listed on the school's Site Specific Asbestos Management Plan (SSAMP).

We engaged an independent hygienist to take samples for testing.

Test results confirmed the fragments contained 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".

The independent hygienist will conduct a thorough inspection of the area and remove all fragments during the Autumn School Holidays.

Once the independent hygienist is satisfied all visible fragments have been removed a clearance certificate will be issued.

The SSAMP will be updated to reflect the new information.

All 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.

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.

