

June 2019 – Asbestos Findings and Advice

During an asbestos management survey being carried out by Birmingham City Laboratories, asbestos containing material (ACM) was identified in a store room, located in the former Moorhens room. As a precaution the asbestos surveyor sealed the area off and recommended prohibited access, pending abatement works being undertaken. This occurred when the school was on the half term break so the Moorhens room, the room where Moorhens were relocating where their items had been moved and the adjoining corridor were cleaned following the correct abatement procedures during the weekend of 1st June. All items that could not be cleaned were disposed of and replaced.

Air testing following the clean produced satisfactory results. Considering factors of normal occupant activity, the likelihood of disturbance of the ACM found and the potential for human exposure, the risk of fibre release is low. The asbestos was removed from the Moorhens cupboard on the weekend of 15th June and the classroom remained closed until this work was completed.

Cupboards in the year 4 and year 6 Classrooms was also found to contain asbestos, background monitoring to both areas, has found that the ambient levels were satisfactory. Both store cupboards have been sealed off and both areas will be cleaned by an approved asbestos contractor.