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NEW OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE SERVICE OPENING IN CASTLE HILL

More families in Castle Hill now have access to before and after school services with the completion of the first phase of the \$20 million Out of School Hours Care grant program, Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams said today.

"I am pleased to advise that St Angela's Primary School has successfully secured \$30,000 in funding under the *Before and After School Care Fund*.

"We understand working parents need flexibility and that is why we have now expanded the grant program and opened it up to more schools. This will enable our local school communities to meet unresolved demand.

"From today, applications will be accepted from schools for new services, schools wanting to expand existing Out of School Hours Care services and local councils in partnership with schools" Mr Williams said.

Grants of up to \$30,000 are available to help with the cost of establishing or extending existing OSHC services. The grants can be used for fit-outs, tendering or equipment costs by schools with new or existing OSHC services.

Minister for Early Childhood Education Leslie Williams said the NSW Government understands that families need early childhood education care options.

"We are delivering on a NSW Liberals & Nationals Government election commitment to increase the number of before and after school care places available for parents.

"We encourage parents who need before and after school places to get in touch with their schools."

For criteria and applications visit: https://beforeandafterschoolcare.smartygrants.com.au/

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