

## The Hon Ray Williams MP

Member for Castle Hill Minister for Multiculturalism and Minister for Disability Services

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## CASTLE HILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS GET A HELPING HAND

Non-government schools in Castle Hill have received \$153,807 in additional funding to put into resources where they are most needed, Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams announced today.

The NSW Government's additionality funding is provided to non-government schools on a needs basis to provide resources such as teacher's aides to support students with disability, teacher training or literacy and numeracy intervention programs.

Mr Williams welcomed the funding for local schools.

"Schools know best where to direct these funds, and we're pleased to provide this funding for a range of programs and resources to best support local students," Mr Williams said.

"This funding will allow schools to provide the best education possible."

The NSW Government is providing more than \$45 million to Catholic and Independent schools in 2017, up from the \$25 million in 2016.

We are committed to providing funds to support students in both government and nongovernment schools as they are important community assets.

This tranche of payments is the second of two for 2017, the first tranche being distributed in the first half of the year. Schools in Castle Hill have received a total of \$313,710.00.

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