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FUNDS BOOST FOR BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Our Lady of the Angels can now offer more out of school hours care places thanks to a \$20,000 grant from the NSW Government, Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams said today.

Mr Williams congratulated Our Lady of the Angels on securing the grant from the Before and After School Care Fund, a \$20 million NSW Government initiative designed to create more places in out of school hours care programs across the State.

"This funding is sure to make a big difference to our community, helping to provide more places in out of school hours care for local families."

"Working parents need flexibility and we understand there is growing demand for before and after school care," Mr Williams said

Minister for Early Childhood Education Leslie Williams said applications are open for the second phase of Before and After School Care Fund grants.

"These grants are open to all schools that would like to establish or expand an out of school hours care program," said Mrs Williams.

"Local councils that have unmet demand for before and after school care are also eligible to apply.

"Funding of up to \$30,000 is available to help with costs such as fit-outs, tendering or equipment.

"Parents who need before and after school places are encouraged to get in touch with their school or local council and ask about these grants," she said.

For more information on the Before and After School Care Fund, visit the Department of Education website.

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