



# The Hon Ray Williams MP

Member for Castle Hill

Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier and Western Sydney

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### PROJECT FUNDING FOR FIVE LOCAL SCHOOLS

Students at five local schools are joining the thousands of other students across Sydney benefitting from the NSW Government's school COVID stimulus program.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP welcomed the news that the schools will receive the following as part of the \$120 million Metro Renewal Program:

Ironbark Ridge Public School	Playground Upgrade
Kellyville Public School	Learning Unit Upgrade
Rouse Hill High School	COLA & Shade Structures
Samuel Gilbert Public School	Canteen Upgrade
Tallowood School	Security Systems

"I'm delighted these projects have been included in the program" Mr Williams said.

"This is about ensuring students can thrive in a great learning environment, no matter where they live or what their circumstances may be.

"Delivery of these projects will be undertaken in the next 18 months as part of the NSW Government's economic stimulus package for NSW schools."

In November 2020 the NSW Government announced the \$240 million Metro and Regional Renewal Program. The Metro School Renewal Program will provide a government co-contribution of between 50 to 80 per cent for school infrastructure improvements to high priority schools in Sydney. Projects may include new and upgraded covered outdoor learning areas, science facilities, toilet blocks, administration buildings and canteens.

Minister for Education Sarah Mitchell said the projects are part of the NSW Government's stimulus program and the State's COVID-19 Recovery Plan.

"We are continuing our record investment in school infrastructure. This program will benefit local communities and support hundreds of jobs, creating a safer and stronger NSW," Ms Mitchell said.

"This program is part of the NSW Governments economic stimulus response to the pandemic and will deliver educational and economic benefits as communities continue to recover."



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The NSW Government is investing \$7 billion over the next four years, continuing its program to deliver more than 200 new and upgraded schools to support communities across NSW. This is the largest investment in public education infrastructure in the history of NSW.

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