



Speech by
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INDOOROOPILLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Mr LEE (Indooroopilly—ALP) (11.15 pm): I have noticed one fascinating thing about the Liberals in this place: they really perk up when the member for Moggill is not in the chamber.

I have great news for the parliament about my wonderful school, Indooroopilly State High School. The school's year 8 team, which participated recently in the district year 8 maths quiz, was successful. Jones Bailie, Jerry Tong and Blaine Huynh were ably assisted by their teacher, Kim Milford, and fought off strong competition from schools like St Peters, BBC and Kenmore State High School.

Mr Reeves: They can count their numbers.

Mr LEE: What a wonderful interjection. This is three smart year 8 students who are very, very good at numbers. Maybe the member for Moggill will be giving them a phone call over the next week, but then again they did beat Kenmore State High School in the competition. The competition comprised several rounds of mental calculations, estimations and speed mathematics. What a wonderful competition and what a challenge for some of the members opposite. Maybe next year they could participate. I have to tell members that I have seen what the mob opposite are like and I know that the year 8s at Indooroopilly high would beat all of them each and every single time.

These are smart young people at a wonderful local school. The school ought to be very proud of them, especially seeing as tomorrow is the open day at Indooroopilly State High School. From 2 pm until 8 pm the school is open to the community. Under the leadership of Lois Collins, the principal, and also Paul Pengelly and Jan Hargreaves, there will be a wonderful launch tomorrow of the Spanish immersion program which will begin for year 8 at Indooroopilly State High School in 2008.

The school is also very good at sport and this year the open boys cricket team, winning 11 games in a row, took home the metropolitan cricket shield. Congratulations to Chris Keating, the coach, also to Caroline Schmidt, the sports coordinator. Some parents contributed greatly to supporting that team; Mr and Mrs Donnelly and also Mr and Mrs Jordan ought to be congratulated. Well done, boys, you have done exceptionally well. Congratulations.