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## **MORAYFIELD ELECTORATE, SCHOOL CONCERTS**

 **Mr RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (5.27 pm): It is school concert time in the Morayfield state electorate, and this means that the amazing kids of the Morayfield state electorate have another opportunity to remind our local community about their outstanding talents and the wonderful education they receive at their local schools. So far this concert season I have attended the Burpengary State School annual arts concert and the Morayfield East State School 20th anniversary performance evening.

It is always an extreme pleasure to attend the Burpengary State School annual arts concert. The annual arts concert is now in its seventh year and is a highlight of the local creative events calendar. The audience was treated to performances by all year levels—over 700 students in both group and solo performances. From the performance by the preppies to the performance by the year 7s, all performances were top-class and proved to all members of the audience that the students and staff of the Burpengary State School are shining examples of the talent in our local area.

The theme for this year's concert was 'Kaleidoscope', and the students certainly displayed their entire rainbow of colourful creativity, efforts and teamwork. I would like to particularly acknowledge the performance by the year 1 students. The year 1 students gave a magnificent performance based around the colour yellow. They based their bright presentation around the yellow brick road and *The Wizard of Oz*. The choreography and musical contributions by the students were of the highest standard and impressed all members of the audience. A particular mention must go to the young girl who played Dorothy. Her performance was exceptional; it was the highlight of the night. Well done.

This annual concert is certainly one of the highlights of my year, and I take this opportunity to say a big 'well done' to the teachers, staff and students involved with this year's production. I would like to specifically commend the acting principal, Mr Brad Fox, the concert's producer, Mr Tattersall, and the concert's director, Ms Mellers.

Similarly, it was a great honour to attend the Morayfield East State School 20th anniversary performance evening. The audience was wowed by the brilliant performances of the students and teachers of this great state school. Everyone was impressed by the staff performance of *Cotton Eyed Joe*. The teachers, staff and P&C members looked like they had lots of fun with this piece. The star of the show of course was the school's principal, Dr Brian Gray. Dr Brian led this motley crew in verse and dance with great gusto, and many would agree that Dr Brian has missed his calling in life! An honourable mention must go to the year 2s who performed Michael Jackson's *Black or White* and the year 5s who performed Katy Perry's *Firework*. Again, I must say 'well done' to all of the teachers, staff and students of the Morayfield East State School.