




Speech By
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 **Ms McMILLAN** (Mansfield—ALP) (7.22 pm): I am delighted to announce last week's official sod turn of the new indoor sports facility at Rochedale State High School with my colleague the member for Springwood, the Hon. Mick de Brenni MP. I am proud of this \$16.1 million infrastructure, which was a Palaszczuk government 2020 election commitment. This investment supports the strong sports program of Rochedale State High School and will benefit local sporting groups. This is another great example of the Queensland government's strong focus on creating good jobs and better services to enhance our great Queensland lifestyle.

I was honoured to congratulate our 2023 school leaders at Rochedale State School, Mansfield State School, Seton College and Clairvaux MacKillop College. It was a pleasure to also meet the new Seton College principal, Alison Jeffries, and the Clairvaux MacKillop College principal, Wayne Chapman.

Many locals got their hands dirty for Clean Up Australia Day last weekend. Mansfield State High School students cleaned up their handball courts, and Mount Gravatt Lookout had a wonderful turnout of volunteers. I would like to thank locals Kelly Coverdale and Madonna Barraclough who coordinated the clean-ups at Tillack Park, Mansfield, and Bulimba Creek near St Paul's Uniting Sporting Club respectively.

It was a privilege to attend and speak at Bianca's Breakfast, an International Women's Day event hosted by the Lovewell Foundation at the Lovewell Cafe. Congratulations to Annie Stonehouse and the team for a beautiful morning.

I was also honoured to speak at the Newnham Hotel's International Women's Day networking breakfast. It was wonderful to see so many familiar and new faces and to listen to wonderful guest speakers, including Corinne Waters from Body Shop at Home and Helen Rays from Share the Kindness Inc. Congratulations to venue manager Michelle and the team for a successful morning.

I am a proud board member of the Red Rose Foundation, which hosted a successful high tea at the Emporium Hotel at South Bank to support survivors of domestic and family violence. Over 220 guests attended to listen to a sensational range of guest speakers, including the Governor of Queensland, Her Excellency the Hon. Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM, award-winning journalist Madonna King and ABC breakfast co-presenter Loretta Ryan. It was fantastic to be joined at that event by my colleagues the member for Jordan, the member for Macalister and the member for Stretton.

Finally, I spent a wonderful afternoon with residents from Carinity Wishart Gardens. It was lovely chatting with locals about important issues, sharing stories and enjoying some of their home cooked treats. Thank you for a great week, Mansfield.