

Question on Notice

No. 1547

Asked on 30 November 2006

Ms Palaszczuk asked the Minister for Education and Training and Minister for the Arts (Mr Welford) —

QUESTION:

With reference to my recent visit to Richlands East Primary School and my meeting with parents completing a Positive Parenting Program—

Will you outline more details on this program, recent achievements and if this program is operating in other parts of Brisbane?

ANSWER:

Richlands East Primary School is involved in the *Pathways to Prevention* program. The program is the result of an Australian Research Council (ARC) Linkage Grant Research Program, conducted through Griffith University in a cluster of Inala schools.

Funded in partnership with Mission Australia and Education Queensland, the program aimed to boost children's language, social and communication skills. It also provided support to parents, particularly in helping them with the transition of their children from home to school.

This program operated in a number of preschools in the Inala area including Inala, Inala West, Carole Park, Durack, Richlands East and Serviceton South state schools.

The Management of Young Children Program (MYCP), developed by Education Queensland in 1981, is employed throughout Queensland. Our Government recognises MYCP as a valuable program with a range of initiatives to assist families. The Triple P (Positive Parenting) Program was originally modelled on MYCP. Both programs make a valuable contribution to the wellbeing and positive development of young people and their families.

Currently, there are at least 20 MYCP programs operating across Queensland. The Triple P program is also offered in Queensland schools. The MYCP and Triple P programs are delivered by guidance officers, advisory visiting teachers (behaviour), teacher aides, learning support teachers, teachers, as well as workers from Queensland Health and other agencies.