Question on Notice

No. 281

Asked on 7 March 2006

MR COPELAND asked the Minister for Education and Minister for the Arts (Mr Welford) -

QUESTION:

Further to my Question on Notice No 240 and the claim that the staffing situation at the Mater Hospital Special School appears to be resolved, when and how does the Government intend to fix the situation at other special schools throughout the State?

ANSWER:

In 2006, our government increased the overall level of additional resources to support students with disabilities.

An extra 79 teachers and 1900 hours of teacher aide time per week have been provided in 2006 to support students with disabilities, as well as 3 additional therapists.