

Question on Notice

No. 125

Asked on 20 February 2007

Mrs Sullivan asked the Minister for Education and Training and Minister for the Arts (Mr Welford) —

QUESTION:

- (1) How has the new Prep Year been received in the primary schools in the Pumicestone Electorate?
- (2) How much has been spent on fully introducing the Prep Year into Pumicestone schools?

ANSWER:

- (1) The implementation of the new Prep Year has gone smoothly in the Pumicestone electorate, with students settling in well. At day 8 there were 216 Prep enrolments, being taught by twelve Prep teachers across the six state schools in the Pumicestone Electorate, as follows:

School	Prep enrolments
Banksia Beach State School	36
Beachmere State School	20
Bribie Island State School	49
Caboolture East State School	31
Minimbah State School	44
Morayfield State School	36

For the implementation of Prep in 2007, almost \$500,000 has been distributed to state schools in the Pumicestone electorate for the improvement of Prep facilities, as follows.

School	New prep classrooms built	Refurbishment of existing classrooms	Storage Shed	Amount
Banksia Beach State School	-	2	-	\$40,000
Beachmere State School	-	1	-	\$20,000
Bribie Island State School	-	4	1	\$169,365
Caboolture East State School	-	3	1	\$190,900
Minimbah State School	-	2	-	\$40,000
Morayfield State School	-	2	-	\$40,000

Prep Year Curriculum Resource Grants paid to schools in the Pumicestone Electorate in June 2006 were:

School	Curriculum resource grant provided
Banksia Beach State School	\$17 250.80
Beachmere State School	\$13 026.30
Bribie Island State School	\$18 718.00
Caboolture East State School	\$10 272.50
Minimbah State School	\$19 285.00
Morayfield State School	\$17 902.50

It is estimated a further \$41 000 will be paid to state schools in the electorate in July 2007 for Prep curriculum resources.