

Question on Notice

No. 1207

Asked on 15 September 2009

Mr Knuth asked the Minister for Education and Training (Mr Wilson) —

QUESTION:

What support has Education Queensland offered to Malanda State High School to upgrade the science lab?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for his question and his interest in the Bligh Government's State Schools of Tomorrow Program.

The Tomorrow's Schools program is a \$1bn investment in Queensland's schools announced in 2006. It is the largest ever investment in school infrastructure by any Queensland State Government.

As part of Tomorrow's Schools, the \$200m, 3 year classroom renewal program will upgrade science laboratories, libraries, computer rooms and modernise many older classrooms in hundreds of schools across Queensland.

The program, which began in 2008-09 will target 305 schools covering over 1,800 learning areas and will be complete in June 2011.

I am pleased to advise that under the State Schools of Tomorrow, Round Two project, the government is investing up to \$955,122 to upgrade three science labs at Malanda State High School.

The detailed planning for this project is scheduled to occur this financial year, with construction of the upgraded facilities to follow 2010-11.