

Question on Notice

No. 102

Asked on 15 February 2017

MR S DICKSON ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND MINISTER FOR TOURISM, MAJOR EVENTS AND THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES (HON K JONES) –

QUESTION:

With reference to the Minister's answer to my previous Question on Notice No. 1015 asked 26 May 2016 in which the Minister acknowledges that increases in student population at Brightwater State School have necessitated further classrooms to be constructed—

Will the Minister outline what the government's plans are to accommodate car parking demand increased in line with faster than expected enrolment growth?

ANSWER:

As I indicated in my previous response to the Member tabled on 27 June 2016, Brightwater State School has built a reputation for excellence in education, making it a school of choice for the local community. To ensure we cater for enrolment growth, the Palaszczuk Government has built extra classrooms increasing the school's capacity to more than 1000 students. The school's enrolment captured on Day 8 in 2017 was 979 students.

I am advised, the current number of 130 onsite car parking spaces allows for future growth up to 1000 students. The Department of Education and Training regularly reviews enrolment growth in schools and works closely with principals and school communities to develop a Strategic Infrastructure Plan for each school to deliver the infrastructure necessary to support their school.

The Department will continue to monitor enrolments at this school to ensure facilities meet demand.