Question on Notice

No. 315

Asked on 21 March 2024

DR C ROWAN ASKED MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE (HON D FARMER)

QUESTION:

With reference to schools and enrolment numbers in the Barron River Electorate—

Will the Minister advise (a) enrolment numbers and capacity for each school, (b) waitlist numbers for each school and (c) details for any new schools planned for this electorate?

ANSWER:

- (a) As at August 2023 enrolment and capacity numbers at schools in the Barron River Electorate were: Caravonica State School (SS) had 563 students enrolled with capacity for 614; Freshwater SS had 636 students enrolled with capacity for 688; Kuranda District State College had 319 students enrolled with capacity for 690; Machans Beach SS had 147 students enrolled with capacity for 167; Redlynch State College had 1,930 students enrolled with capacity for 2,355; Tropical North Learning Academy Smithfield State High School had 1,181 students enrolled with capacity for 1,468; Tropical North Learning Academy Trinity Beach SS had 962 students enrolled with capacity for 1,258; and Yorkey's Knob SS had 315 students enrolled with capacity for 356.
- (b) Caravonica SS has a waitlist of five students and Redlynch State College has a waitlist of one student. Freshwater SS, Kuranda District State College, Machans Beach SS, Tropical North Learning Academy – Smithfield State High School, Tropical North Learning Academy – Trinity Beach SS; and Yokey's Knob SS do not currently have students on a wait list.
- (c) At this time, there are no new schools planned for the Barron River Electorate. Departmental planning for the local area confirms that projected local enrolment growth can be met within existing school capacity or future expansions of existing schools.