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AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT GRANTS {\$AMOUNT TO XXX SCHOOL}, PROJECT FUNDED UNDER THE INVESTING IN OUR SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

Students and staff at {XXX school} will benefit from an Australian Government grant of \${amount} under the new Investing in Our Schools Programme the {member for electorate/senator name} announced today.

{Member/Senator} said that the grant would be used for {title or brief description of project} at {XXX school/college}.

The project will involve [more detailed description of project].

“This project/these projects involve/s a significant amount of funding which indicates the importance the Government places on developing and maintaining school infrastructure”, (he/she) said.

"The Government will provide an estimated \$736 million in capital funding for less well-off Catholic and Independent schools over the next four years. This includes an additional \$300 million, as promised during the 2004 Federal election campaign.

This investment represents a 97% increase over the previous four year funding period in capital funding to Catholic and Independent schools. It also demonstrates the Government’s continued commitment to a strong and effective school system, maximizing the opportunities for young Australians”, the {Member/Senator} said.

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