Response to 2015-16 State Budget

Dear parents and community members,

The State government handed down its 2015-16 Budget yesterday.

The Budget was full of good news for state education with millions of dollars being directed back into education:

- $148 million to Camps, Sports and Excursions
- $16 million to support State Schools Relief
- $14 million for School Breakfast clubs
- $25 million for Maintenance programs to keep schools in good order
- $2 million for Music in schools
- $1.6 million for student mentoring
- 2015-2017 Gonski $ committed to by the State government

This will all result in greater support for students at our school.

However, we again did not receive the news we have waited for since 2012 – Stage 2 funding. This is very disappointing.

Whilst Stage 2 is denied – we will again receive portable buildings to accommodate our growing numbers for 2016; and we will again have to spend our own $ to landscape and beautify the areas the new buildings are placed on.

As Principal I will continue to advocate for our school and our need for Stage 2 funding to complete the permanent buildings of our school. Our School Council will also continue to work hard on this matter.

You may wish to contact our local ALP Member of Parliament, Telmo Languiller, to express your opinion on the government’s lack of support for our school: telmo.languiller@parliament.vic.gov.au

Yours faithfully,

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Principal