



**Sharon Grierson MP**  
Federal Member for Newcastle

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**Over \$40 million in Funding to Newcastle Primary Schools**

Federal Member for Newcastle, Sharon Grierson MP, was today pleased to announce \$40,250,000 in funding to go to 36 local primary schools for major new infrastructure projects as part of the second round of the Rudd Labor Government's Primary Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century program.

This program is part of the wider Building the Education Revolution, which has so far seen over \$58 million in infrastructure projects delivered to primary and secondary schools in Newcastle.

"We are now seeing the delivery of the largest ever education infrastructure program in our country's history," Ms Grierson said.

"This unprecedented amount of funding is not only providing local schools with state of the art facilities, but also providing invaluable support to local jobs and the economy."

The \$12.4 billion Primary Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century element delivers much needed infrastructure projects, such as Covered Outdoor Learning Areas (COLAs), libraries, and multipurpose halls to primary schools.

Applications for Round Three of Primary Schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century close on 10 July 2009, and Ms Grierson urged all eligible schools to apply.

"It is important that all eligible schools make the most of any available funding. This will ensure that we see the maximum benefits flowing on to the schools and the wider community."

A full list of successful schools and their planned projects are available at:  
[www.buildingtheeducationrevolution.gov.au](http://www.buildingtheeducationrevolution.gov.au)

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