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Essex Heights set to benefit from new hall

The new \$3 million multi-purpose hall being built at Essex Heights Primary School will be of tremendous benefit to students, staff and the local community, Federal Member for Chisholm Anna Burke said today.

Ms Burke visited the school this morning to inspect the works taking place on the new facility, which received funding under the 'Primary Schools for the 21st Century' component of the Rudd Government's BER program.

"Essex Heights is a school that is undergoing dramatic improvements thanks to the BER program," Ms Burke said.

"I'm delighted the Rudd Government has stepped in to fund this fantastic multi-purpose facility.

"This school has been crying out for investment for many years and it's great to see first hand the magnificent new hall that the whole school will enjoy.

"This project is a great example of how the stimulus is improving our local schools and the Monash community.

"The hall will facilitate student's activities for many years to come," she said.

Ms Burke said the school also received an additional \$200,000 in BER funding to redevelop its visual arts centre.

She also welcomed the recent State Government announcement that the school will receive \$6 million to undergo a complete redevelopment.

"The facilities here have needed attention for many years so it's fantastic the State Government has committed to a complete rebuild in this year's Budget," she said.

"The work taking place at Essex Heights shows how both the Federal and State Governments are working together to deliver better schools for Monash."

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