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## Opening of New and Upgraded Facilities to Ashwood School

Federal Member for Chisholm, Anna Burke MP, has officially opened the new and refurbished classrooms and multipurpose centre at Ashwood School.

Ashwood School received \$2,125,000 under the National School Pride (NSP) program and Primary Schools for the 21st Century (P21) element of the BER.

The BER is a key element of the Australian Government's \$42 billion Nation Building – Economic Stimulus Plan to support jobs, stimulate local economies and invest in important infrastructure for the long term.

Ms Burke congratulated Ashwood School on their new facilities.

'It's fantastic that the school staff, parents and tradespeople at Ashwood School have worked together to deliver this important project', Ms Burke said.

"Now that these works are completed, students and teachers at Ashwood School will be able to learn and teach in the exceptional facilities that they deserve", Ms Burke said.

The new centre will not only benefit the school community but also the wider community who will benefit from access to the new and refurbished classrooms and multipurpose centre.

"The new and refurbished classrooms and multipurpose centre will enable the school to better meet the needs of both its primary and secondary aged students," School Principal, Ms Helen Hatherly said.

"Parent and community involvement is important to Ashwood School in its aim of being a leader in the field of special education. The outcome of our Building the Education Revolution project enables us to further encourage this involvement", Ms Hatherly said.

Ms Burke said the new facilities are not only a benefit to the school, but had provided local jobs.

'I am also delighted that this particular project has supported a number of local jobs. This is what we strived to achieve – this is the essence of the Economic Stimulus Plan,' Ms Burke said.

Further information about this project and all schools funded under the BER is available at [www.buildingtheeducationrevolution.gov.au](http://www.buildingtheeducationrevolution.gov.au) or at: [www.economicstimulusplan.gov.au](http://www.economicstimulusplan.gov.au).

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