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STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

St Dominics College

Mr BRADBURY» (Lindsay) (6:52 PM) —I rise to offer my congratulations to St Dominic's College, Penrith, which this year celebrates its golden jubilee. The school held a number of commemorative events earlier this month to mark 50 years since the first classes were held. St Dominic's was established as a boys' school in 1959 by the Christian Brothers. It started with an enrolment of only 72 students housed in a handful of very simple buildings. It has now grown into a thriving school community that prides itself on its academic and sporting achievements. St Dominic's has produced a host of stars, including rugby league greats Greg Alexander and Luke Rooney and former Socceroos star Luke Casserly. I was honoured to be invited recently to the opening of the school's auditorium and new science block, which incorporates some of the latest technology to create for students a comfortable, modern learning environment that would surely impress the founding brothers. I congratulate St Dominic's community, the Christian Brothers and the current principal, Brother Jeff Regan, on the contribution that the college has made to educating young people in our local community. I wish the school continuing success into the future.