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New Multi Purpose Learning Space at Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School Officially Opened

Students attending Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School in St Marys will benefit from the recently completed \$4.4 million Multi Purpose Learning Space, said Federal Member for Lindsay, David Bradbury.

The new Multi Purpose Learning Space, which was officially opened by Mr Bradbury today, was funded by the Federal Government under the Primary Schools for the 21st century program.

The school also received \$200,000 through the Federal Government's National School Pride program for the refurbishment of school buildings and grounds, the purchase of new information and communication technology equipment and the upgrade of the school's power supply.

"The design of the Multi Purpose Learning Space has also provided the school with a substantial covered outdoor learning area.

"This investment demonstrates the Gillard Government's commitment to investing in our children's education" Mr Bradbury said.

"Previously the school had been located at two separate sites. This funding has gone towards helping the school to amalgamate both sites creating a safer environment for the students.

"The school community has wanted a Multi Purpose Learning Space for many years and without the Building the Education Revolution (BER) funding it would not have been possible in the foreseeable future.

"I would like to congratulate the Principal, Mr Mark Geerligs, the school's P&F, the teachers, students, parents, the builders and the wider school community for all their efforts and co-operation while work was being carried out on these new facilities.

"This is the start of a new era for the school" said Principal, Mr Mark Geerligs. "For the first time in over 40 years the school is located on one site thanks to the Federal Government's BER funding and other funding sources.

"Previously, students would have to walk up the road to the parish hall for assemblies, dances and other activities.

“These new facilities will help move the school into the 21st century and will help to improve educational outcomes for current and future students of Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School” said Mr Geerligs.

“The Government aims to make Australia the best educated, highest skilled and best trained workforce in the world” said Mr Bradbury.

Further information about this project and all schools funded under the BER is available at www.buildingtheeducationrevolution.gov.au or at: www.economicstimulusplan.gov.au.