

Senator Chris Evans

Leader of the Government in the Senate Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Jobs and Workplace Relations

TO THE COMMUNITY OF TOUKLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL

On behalf of the Australian Government, I would like to congratulate Toukley Public School on the opening of the six new classrooms under the Building the Education Revolution (BER) program.

I regret I cannot be with you today. I look forward to seeing first hand the great benefits that this much needed revitalisation will bring.

It has been a busy time for your school and the education sector in Australia as we see the BER, a critical component of the Government's Nation Building - Economic Stimulus Plan, deliver new infrastructure and resources to meet the needs of 21st Century learning, while supporting Australian jobs.

Whether a project involves the refurbishment of a classroom, the construction of a covered outdoor learning area or a new library or science centre, each is a valuable addition to a school's learning environment and to the quality of the education Australia provides.

I would like to acknowledge the work and effort that your school has invested. I believe this effort and the wider Education Revolution initiatives that we are all working on together will benefit the school and broader communities for many years to come.

I extend my gratitude to the staff at Toukley Public School for constantly meeting the demands that are placed upon you in nurturing your students.

The Australian Government is committed to working with schools to ensure that students have the opportunity to achieve to the very best of their abilities.

Yours sincerely

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