

Media Release

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RAMLEGH PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL OPENS ITS DOORS

Families across Clyde North will have access to a great local school close to home as Ramleigh Park Primary School opened its doors.

Minister for Education James Merlino joined Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale today officially open the new school and welcomed its first students.

The school will cater for 525 students and includes two learning neighbourhoods, administration building, outdoor play courts, performing arts and physical education building as well as a sports field.

Ramleigh Park Primary School has more than 400 students starting this year, including more than 130 Prep students, and is one of 14 new schools opening in 2021.

A kindergarten has been built next door which will open in Term 1, 2021 with space for 99 kids. It will deliver both sessional and integrated kindergarten programs for three- and four-year-olds.

Every new Victorian primary school opening from 2021 will have a kindergarten on-site or next door, reducing the burden on parents and ending the dreaded double drop off. This includes all 10 primary schools opening this year.

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In the past five years, the Andrews Labor Government has invested more than \$9 billion in more than 1,600 school upgrades – creating more than 10,000 construction jobs.

The Government is now ahead of schedule on its commitment to open 100 new schools by 2026, with 48 new schools opening between 2019 and 2022.

For more information on the Labor Government's school building boom, visit www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Education James Merlino

"The first day of school is a big day every year – but particularly after the year we had last year. I thank every teacher, student and parent for their efforts last year and wish them well for the year ahead."

"We're building new schools across the state so every child has a great local school and a best start in life – wherever they live."

Quote attributable to Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale

"Every child deserves access to a great local school close to home. That is why, as our community grows, we need to open new schools just like Ramleigh Park Primary."