

Media Release

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MAINTENANCE BLITZ FOR 55 MORE SCHOOLS

The Allan Labor Government is making sure Victorian students are learning in modern schools.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Education Ben Carroll today announced 55 schools will benefit from maintenance works.

The schools will share in \$35.077 million from the Planned Maintenance Program (PMP), thanks to investment from the Labor Government.

Practical measures include upgrading emergency shelters, replacing windows, painting and resurfacing floors.

These mean high-quality spaces for principals, teachers and staff and better learning experiences for students.

Thanks to the Labor Government, Leongatha Secondary College will receive a boost of over \$2.5 million, Monbulk College is seeing over \$1 million in funding and Sunbury Primary School is receiving over \$480,000.

Funding for school maintenance has increased by six-fold under Labor.

The Liberals and Nationals slashed \$1 billion from the education budget when they were last in power.

They let public schools crumble and decay, abandoning Victorian school communities.

In stark contrast, Labor has made a record \$18.5 billion investment in our public schools.

Labor's record investment has seen 121 new public schools delivered and more than 2,300 school upgrades.

For a list of schools receiving funding, visit schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au/planned-maintenance-program.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Education Ben Carroll

"Not only have we opened 121 brand-new public schools, we're also ensuring our existing schools are in the best shape for our students."

"Practical improvements like a fresh coat of paint or upgrading emergency shelters mean Victorian students can learn in modern schools with up-to-date facilities."

Quote attributable to Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh

"Labor is investing in Leongatha Secondary College so local students have an inspiring place to learn."

Quote attributable to Member for Monbulk Daniela De Martino

"I'm so pleased that our investments are making Monbulk College safer and more accessible for every student and staff member at this great local school"

Quote attributable to Member for Sunbury Josh Bull

"I'm proud that local students and staff will soon be learning and teaching in updated facilities, with maintenance works on the way for Sunbury Primary School."

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