



Amanda Rishworth MP
Member for Kingston

MEDIA RELEASE

27 August 2009

**Rudd Government Delivers
Over \$109 million to our local primary schools to
support local jobs**

The Federal Member for Kingston, Amanda Rishworth, today announced that 15 primary schools in the electorate of Kingston will receive over \$30 million for major new infrastructure projects under the third and final round of Primary Schools for the 21st Century (P21). *Please see attached spreadsheet for local projects.*

Ms Rishworth said that the Rudd Government is undertaking the largest school modernisation program in Australia's history to support local jobs.

"This investment in our local primary schools is long overdue and will go a long way to supporting local jobs during the global recession."

"Teachers and students in our local schools should be teaching and learning in 21st Century facilities," Ms Rishworth said.

"It's been great to see local principals, school communities and the building industry working together with the State and Federal governments to deliver these important projects."

P21 Round Three projects will start as soon as possible to provide immediate support for jobs. The \$14.1 billion will deliver much needed funding for major infrastructure projects, including libraries, multipurpose halls and classrooms.

The P21 has delivered over \$109 million for the construction of state-of-the-art libraries, multipurpose halls, assembly halls, new classrooms and resource centres in the electorate of Kingston.

Building the Education Revolution is a key element of the Rudd Government's \$42 billion Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan to support jobs, stimulate local economies and invest in important infrastructure for the long term.

By combining the development of a new truly national curriculum, greater transparency, a renewed focus on literacy and numeracy and record investment in school infrastructure and quality teachers, the Rudd Government is delivering an Education Revolution to all our schools.