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UPGRADING ESSENDON SCHOOLS BRICK BY BRICK

Students in Flemington will soon have access to the first-rate facilities they deserve, with work under way upgrading Flemington Primary School.

Member for Essendon, Danny Pearson MP today announced Built Environs Pty Ltd had been appointed to build Flemington Primary School's \$1.147 million upgrade, which will help it deliver a 21st century education.

This project will include the upgrading of the school's playground and other grounds, as part of the Flemington Education Plan involving four primary, specialist and secondary schools working together to transform local education.

The *Victorian Budget 2021/22* invests \$1.6 billion to build new schools and improve existing schools to make sure our kids have the bright futures they deserve.

In the past seven years, the Victorian Government has invested more than \$10.9 billion in building new schools and more than 1,700 school upgrades, creating around 13,500 jobs in construction and associated industries. It is now ahead of schedule in its commitment to open 100 new schools by 2026, with 62 new schools opening between 2019 and 2024.

The Labor Government is building the Education State so that every student can access a great local school and get a quality education.

Quotes attributable to Member for Essendon, Danny Pearson MP.

"These local upgrades are part of the school building boom that is happening right across Victoria."

"Upgrading Flemington Primary School will give local students access to great classrooms and facilities - because you can't deliver a first-rate education in second-rate classrooms."