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07 November 2024

The Honourable John-Paul Langbroek Minister for Education and the Arts Surfers.Paradise@parliament.qld.gov.au

Dear Minister

Cannon Hill State School

Congratulations on your appointment as the Minister for Education and the Arts.

Cannon Hill State School is one of the oldest schools within the Bulimba electorate and has grown significantly in recent years.

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As an election promise, Labor committed to a much needed \$7 million administration block and \$2.5 million refurbishment of classrooms at the school.

These refurbishments were identified by the school community as being priorities in ensuring the school provides the best possible learning environment for students.

I am writing to ask if you could please indicate whether you can also support these priorities for Cannon Hill State School.

I look forward to working with you to ensure that Cannon Hill State School, and the other schools of the Bulimba electorate, continue to have their education needs met.

Yours sincerely,

Di Farmer MP Member for Bulimba

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170、 Dear Ms Parmer

Thank you for your letter dated 7 November 2024 congratulating me on my appointment as Minister for Education and the Arts and for your advocacy for Cannon Hill State School.

As a member of the Crisafulli Government, I am especially focused on advancing this Government's plan for Queensland's future to create a strong, sustainable education system that services every Queenslander.

I support all schools providing the best possible learning environment for students, including Cannon Hill State School.

It was therefore disappointing to learn that no capital works projects were planned for Cannon Hill State School in 2024–25 under the former government.

I understand that as of 18 November 2024, Cannon Hill State School had not submitted an application for additional classroom space; however, the Department of Education will monitor enrolments at Day 8, 2025, to assess if the school needs to be supported with additional classroom space.

If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me. Alternatively, I invite your staff to contact Mr Mitchell Potts, Chief of Staff of my office, on (07) 3719 7270.

Thank you once again for your letter.

Yours sincerely

JØHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education and the Arts

13 January 2025

The Honourable John-Paul Langbroek Minister for Education and the Arts education@ministerial.qld.gov.au

Dear Minister Langbroek

Cannon Hill State School

Thank you for your response dated 28 November 2024.

For clarity, and to ensure you have received the correct advice, my letter of 7 November was in relation to a refurbishment of existing classrooms, rather than additional classroom space.

This project, in conjunction with the Administration Block works, is number one on Cannon Hill State School's School Infrastructure Program (SIP) list.

It is puzzling to hear that the Department of Education is not aware of this, especially as their Infrastructure Branch has been working very closely with the school, including engaging a Heritage Architect to carefully review the existing buildings and determine the work required to achieve their goals.

I am pleased and proud that since 2015, our government contributed nearly \$4 million towards capital works at Cannon Hill State School including a playground update, disability upgrades and new classrooms.

I look forward to confirming your support of these current priorities for Cannon Hill State School.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Ms Farmer

Thank you for your follow-up letter dated 13 January 2025 regarding the refurbishment of classrooms at Cannon Hill State School.

I can confirm that Cannon Hill State School lists a refurbishment of learning spaces and the Administration building, as priorities on its School Strategic Infrastructure Plan (SSIP). As you are aware, a school's SSIP is used to guide and inform infrastructure planning and investment.

In early 2024, the Department of Education engaged an architect to develop concept drawings for the refurbishment of Block F and the Administration building. In late 2024, the concept drawings were finalised along with Cannon Hill State School's SSIP priorities.

These nominated projects will be assessed and prioritised alongside all other infrastructure requirements identified by the department across Queensland on an as-needed basis, having regard for available funding.

Departmental representatives have also met with the school to discuss their requirements for these nominated projects, should funding become available.

If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me. Alternatively, I invite your staff to contact Mr Mitchell Potts, Chief of Staff of my office, on (07) 3719 7270.

Thank you for your continued interest in Cannon Hill State School.

Yours sincerely

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JOHN-PAUL LANGBROEK MP Minister for Education and the Arts

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20 June 2025

The Hon. John-Paul Langbroek Minister for Education and the Early Years

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Via email: education@ministerial.gld.gov.au

Dear Minister

Urgent Confirmation of Classroom Refurbishment at Cannon Hill State School

We write to you on behalf of the Cannon Hill State School community, to urgently seek confirmation and commitment from your government to proceed with much-needed classroom refurbishments at our school.

Before the 2024 State Election, Labor committed to a \$2.5 million refurbishment of the existing classrooms. We are deeply concerned that the new government has yet to confirm whether it will also commit to this important project which is number one on our School Infrastructure Plan.

Modern, flexible classrooms are important for creating a safe and supportive learning environment. They encourage differentiated learning, foster student engagement, and meet the needs of our growing and diverse school community.

The Department of Education's Infrastructure Branch has been working very closely with our school, including engaging a Heritage Architect to carefully review the existing buildings and determine the work required to achieve our goals. This work means the project will be well planned but cannot proceed until the funding is confirmed.

We have sought the support of our school community and have gathered **104 signatures** to respectfully request that the commitment to deliver the refurbished classrooms be made from the 2025/2026 Infrastructure Budget.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this matter with you in person and invite you to visit Cannon Hill State School to see first-hand how important this commitment is.

We look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely

Di Farmer MP

Shadow Minister for Education and the Early Years Shadow Minister for Youth Justice Member for Bulimba

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