CHAO S OF EDUCATION CUTS

Shadow Minister for Education, Natasha Fyles, today said it has been revealed that the CLP Government’s severe education cuts have left some students without teachers.

“We have heard that year ten students at Casuarina Senior College are being left to sit in the library because the school simply does not have enough teachers to cover their classes,” Ms Fyles said.

“Is this because the CLP Government fired or discontinued the contracts of too many teachers in their drastic cuts last year?”

“The reality of the harm of these cuts is now being felt as schools have gone back and are seeing they are short on the teachers they need to cover classes.

Ms Fyles said the secrecy of the cuts to the education system is leading to the chaos being felt at Casuarina Senior College.

“These harmful cuts were done in secrecy with the Minister for Education, Peter Chandler, continuously refusing to release the staffing allocation numbers,” Ms Fyles said.

“We need a school-by-school breakdown of what teaching resources schools have.

“Student timetables have been directly affected by the CLP cuts.

“Students have less subject choices and learning opportunities than they did this time last year.

“Schools are trying to fill gaps with the scant resources they have rather than offering the subjects students want and need.

“The CLP Government has scrapped important programs like GEMS and other support staff and programs.

“We have seen the CLP Government’s arrogance and disrespect on this issue but it is time for them to face the facts.
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“Their penny-pinching behaviour is hurting students.

“Peter Chandler as Education Minister should be championing our education system not destroying it.”

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