$1 Million Upgrade for Ross Park Primary School

Education Minister Marion Scrymgour today visited Ross Park Primary School to inspect the areas that will benefit from a $1 million upgrade at the School, and to meet with teachers and students.

Ms Scrymgour said that tenders had closed and a contract for the project was expected to be awarded by the Territory Government shortly.

“The school community is very excited about the upgrade and the Principal, Karen Blanchfield has explained how students and staff are going to benefit from the changes,” Ms Scrymgour said.

“The upgrade includes quite a lot of demolition work, mainly aimed at clearing and expanding the central assembly area.

“The amount of shade available will also be increased with a new innovative roof structure to be built in the quadrangle, which will virtually double the size of the assembly area.

“Students will have a larger indoor-outdoor area for daily fitness exercises, creative arts performances and the like, as well as more shade to use at recess and lunch.

“Ross Park is obviously a popular school with excellent staff. Its enrolment has increased by 60 students since 2006, attendance is about 90% and its literacy and numeracy results are excellent.

“The Northern Territory Government is committed to making our schools and students the best they can be.”

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