150 Jobs and Brighter Futures: $6.6 million Ludmilla Primary School redevelopment starts

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The Territory Labor Government is delivering 150 local construction jobs and investing in brighter futures for Darwin children with a major redevelopment of one of the city’s oldest schools.

Construction has commenced on the Ludmilla Primary School Master Plan redevelopment, just weeks after work began on another Territory Labor Government project, the $15.9 million Darwin High School STEAM centre, which supports 300 local construction jobs.

Darwin company PTM Group will completely refurbish a two storey classroom building to house a new early learning centre at Ludmilla, along with an integrated area for a supported play group.

Stage one of the project will also provide improved disability access across the school and landscaping of school grounds to mitigate flooding, so children can better utilise outdoor areas.

Ludmilla Primary School first opened its doors to students in 1967. Stage one of the redevelopment is due for completion in early 2019.

Quotes attributable to Education Minister Selena Uibo.

“All children have the right to a great start in life and quality infrastructure is important to meet the needs of students now and into the future.

“This upgrade to Ludmilla Primary School will provide contemporary learning spaces and new facilities to ensure that young children receive the best possible start towards a bright future.

“We know that the first years of a child’s life are critical and impact their success in school and into their adult years. That’s why we’re investing in early childhood – unlike the former CLP Government who slashed $135 million from the education budget.”

“Projects like this that create jobs for Territorians and invest in our children are the right thing to do and the smart thing to do for the Territory’s future.”

Quotes attributable to PTM Group Project Manager Dylan Hale.

“PTM Group is excited to be awarded this contract, it is a great opportunity to refurbish and refresh a local school that has such a long history within the Darwin community to create a better environment for local schoolchildren.

“150 local construction industry workers will be engaged throughout the project to assist with completing the project on time and on budget”.

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