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CONSTRUCTION FINISHED AT GARRANG WILAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

Families in Melbourne's west are getting ready to send their children to Garrang Wilam Primary School with the construction complete ahead of classes in 2021.

Minister for Education James Merlino and Member for Tarneit Sarah Connolly today announced that works have finished at the new school in Truganina ahead of students attending in Term 1, 2021.

Students at Garrang Wilam Primary School will be able to enjoy full use of two new learning neighbourhoods, an administration building, outdoor play courts, a sports field and a performing arts and physical education building.

This new school is part of the Andrews Labor Government's commitment to deliver 100 new schools between 2019 and 2026. Natalie Nelson has been appointed as the first principal and welcomes enrolments for the school year.

The Truganina South East Integrated Family Centre will be built next to the school to aid the smooth transition from kindergarten into school, while making it easier for parents to avoid the dreaded double drop-off in 2022.

Every new Victorian primary school being built from 2021 will have a kindergarten on-site or next door, to reduce the burden on parents and carers while continuing to build the Education State.

The Labor Government is building the Education State with an unprecedented \$7.2 billion investment that is not only creating 7,500 jobs but improving, upgrading and building schools to ensure that every community can access a great local school where students are supported to achieve their best.

Quote attributable to Minister for Education James Merlino

"This is an important step for families in Truganina to have access to a great local school in 2021 to ensure students receive a world-class education close to home."

"This is a prime example of the school building boom that is happening right now across Victoria."

Quotes attributable to the Member for Tarneit Sarah Connolly

"Our community is going rapidly and that is why it is so important we get on with building the schools our families need. This is a great school with the state-of-the-art facilities that will match the excellent teaching that will occur in the classrooms."