

HIGH WYCOMBE PRIMARY SCHOOL — SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY

Statement by Member for Forrestfield

MR S.J. PRICE (Forrestfield — Deputy Speaker) [12.54 pm]: High Wycombe Primary School welcomed its first student through the doors in 1961. Since then, tens of thousands of young people have started their education at this fantastic school, being nurtured and encouraged to become the best person they can be. Tomorrow afternoon, High Wycombe Primary School will welcome current and former students, staff and community members to celebrate 60 years of operation. As part of the school's celebrations, the Minister for Education and Training, Hon Sue Ellery, will officially open the new \$3 million early education centre. I am proud that the McGowan government has been able to deliver this long-wished-for facility that will see kindy and pre-primary students finally being taught in modern learning facilities. I thank former principal Rick Walters for his strong advocacy for this new building.

High Wycombe Primary School is a vibrant, energetic place to learn and I acknowledge the tireless efforts of the board, ably led by its chairperson, Sandra Devine; the parents and citizens association, guided by its president, Leonie Kirkwood; and the school staff, led by principal, Kate Lyon, and deputy principals, Taryn Stafford and Glen Duffield, as they strive to provide the best opportunities for all the students. It is always a pleasure to join the school community at events, including assemblies, breakfasts and carnivals, and watch them successfully deliver the school vision to provide a happy, safe and stimulating environment sensitive to the needs of all. Congratulations and happy sixtieth anniversary, High Wycombe Primary School.