

**BELMONT ELECTORATE — SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS GROUPS**

*Statement by Member for Belmont*

**MS C.M. ROWE (Belmont)** [12.57 pm]: Many schools in my electorate struggle to find volunteers for their parents and citizens groups, which are vital for vibrant school communities to thrive. Therefore, I wish to pay tribute to some of the dedicated and tireless committee members and volunteers in my community. Firstly, at Carlisle Primary School, I acknowledge the current committee: Maureen Blount, president; Zoe Savill, vice president; Kim Shirras, secretary; and Shay Campbell and Daniel Ellis, executive committee members. I acknowledge some of the longer serving previous committee members in Michelle Williams, Esther Kartawinata, Haylee Roia and Melissa Collett. Finally, I thank Doreen Avis, a long-serving volunteer for seven years in the Carlisle canteen.

At Cloverdale Primary School, I thank president, Annemarie Fox; vice president, Lisa Rigby; treasurer, Jasmine Pippa; vice treasurer, Elizabeth Newtown, secretary, Jodi Shephard; and vice secretary, Michelle Warrener. I also thank committee members Scott Willis, Nicole Esplenlaub, Melissa Hewitt, Chris Hewitt, Cheryl Gutta, Cate Berry and Bec Patriarca. I also acknowledge long-term school volunteers Deanna Green, Justin Stedman, Tyler Fox and Darryl Fox.

At Belmont Primary School, which is soon to celebrate its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary, I acknowledge P&C members Hanna Nixon, Jill Austen, Tania Fiorini and Judy Tan.

At Kewdale Primary School, I acknowledge the P&C led by the dedicated Anita Kidd, president; Jackie Walters, Kayt Every, Larissa Williams, Jenny Sheridan, Tania Vandenberg, Elliot Smith and Leanne Mahoney. Finally, I acknowledge their long-term volunteers Paul Leahy and Anita Zmak.

Thank you again for all your diligent efforts for our children and for our local school communities.

*Sitting suspended from 1.00 to 2.00 pm*