

**CANNINGTON COMMUNITY — EDUCATION LEADERS**

*Statement by Member for Cannington*

**MR W.J. JOHNSTON (Cannington)** [12.59 pm]: As a local member of Parliament, it is important to keep up to date with issues impacting upon local schools. Hardworking staff and committed parents are working to raise standards in our community. Cannington is a community providing affordable living to hardworking people, and it is essential that local children receive excellent education. I particularly want to thank Gary Anderson from Lynwood Senior High School; Frank Mulligan from St Norbert College; Hans Geer and Fiona Woo from Brookman Primary School; Clyde Graham, Diane Parker and Annette Savage from Cannington Community College; Michael Bettenay from Beckenham Primary School; Roy Reynolds from Gibbs Street Primary School; and Ray Knight and Leanne Thom from Wilson Primary School. We are lucky to have such good leaders in our local community who are working so hard to raise standards of education for our local children. They raised many good issues with me this morning, particularly the need to invest in additional resources to raise standards in the local community schools. They raised important issues that are challenging local schools with issues like Building the Education Revolution program, ensuring that the national curriculum is rolled out adequately and ensuring that a decision is made about whether year 7 students attend primary schools or senior high schools.

*Sitting suspended from 1.00 to 2.00 pm*