

**CRAIGIE HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

*Statement by Member for Joondalup*

**MR A.P. O'GORMAN (Joondalup)** [12.56 pm]: I rise to talk about Craigie Heights Primary School, which is an amalgamation of Camberwarra Primary School and Craigie Primary School. Upon amalgamation of the two schools, Craigie Heights Primary School had a little more than 200 students. Construction of the new Craigie Heights Primary School has been underway for the past two years. I pay particular homage to principal Gary Payne, deputy principal Andrew Kilgallon and the president of the parents and citizens association, Katie Robinson, for their efforts in getting this school together, which was done without any community discontent. The \$13 million school was funded by the Labor government when the member for Rockingham was the Minister for Education and Training. The school was constructed without a hitch. The new school opened this year and now has 316 students. There has been a huge jump in student numbers. The school comprises early childhood, middle primary, junior primary, upper primary, an administration, an undercover assembly area and canteen, a dental therapy unit and a library. The school's vision is clear and is focused on creating a learning environment that matches the needs of all students to achieve their potential both academically and socially. All buildings are air-conditioned and have been designed to meet sustainability principles. The school has developed a harmony garden and it is about to start an arboretum.