

HAMPTON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL — PAUL NEATES

Statement by Member for Morley

MR I.M. BRITZA (Morley) [12.24 pm]: I am very proud of the achievements of long-serving principal Mr Paul Neates. Mr Neates has been principal of Hampton Park Primary School since 2001. Under Mr Neates' guidance, the school has received numerous state and national awards, including national recognition as a safe and friendly school. He has achieved significant personal recognition and was nominated for Rotary principal of the year by the parents and citizens association of Hampton Park. In 2011, Hampton Park Primary School became an independent public school and the school's success during its first phase is well documented and celebrated. The school's purpose to learn while having fun and making friends is very obvious when I visit the school. This reflects Mr Neates' leadership style and the commitment he has from his hardworking and highly skilled staff. He is a valued member of the Morley School Network and was instrumental in the development of the ACORN collegiate cell with Noranda and Camboon Primary Schools. Recently, Mr Neates has been appointed to the Principals' Advisory Team for the remainder of 2015. As a member of this team, Mr Neates' main function is to support newly appointed principals throughout the state by way of coaching and mentoring. I am sure that he will use the many successful strategies developed and implemented at Hampton Park, as well as his strong interpersonal skills, to assist him in this role. Mr Neates is always striving for improvement and it is a pleasure to have a person of his calibre in my electorate. Not only does he benefit several local schools, but as a result of his recent appointment to the Principals' Advisory Team, he is now benefiting the entire state.