

BRUCE BAILEY AND JENNY CRAKE — RETIREMENT

Statement by Member for Mandurah

MR D.A. TEMPLEMAN (Mandurah) [12.57 pm]: I want to acknowledge in this Parliament the retirement of two very special and dedicated principals from two schools in my electorate. Mr Bruce Bailey has, for health reasons, decided to resign from Coodanup Community College in Mandurah. I have admired the way he took on the numerous challenges of this school when he became principal over three years ago. Bruce has built very strong relationships with his staff, students, the parent body and the wider school community, and has worked tirelessly to ensure that the interests of the students of Coodanup Community College are at the forefront of everything that happens at this dynamic school. As a board member of the college, I have seen first-hand how Bruce has supported, encouraged and assisted his staff and his admin team and been a wonderful mentor to so many. Bruce Bailey has made a real difference at Coodanup and we will miss him.

Mrs Jenny Crake also retires as principal of Riverside Education Support Centre. Jenny has been the principal of this school for many years and has ensured that the students who have attended the school have had outstanding learning programs delivered by professional teachers and support staff. Jenny is widely respected and has been an outstanding principal at Riverside.

I acknowledge the long service that both of these principals have given to the Department of Education and to the children and young people of my community and the state. I thank them sincerely on behalf of my community for their outstanding and dedicated service. I wish them all the very best in their retirement.

Sitting suspended from 1.00 to 2.00 pm