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LOCAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS GET A HELPING HAND

Local non-government schools have received \$386,477 in additional funding to put into resources where they are most needed, Member for Albury, Greg Aplin announced today.

The NSW Government's additional funding is provided to non-government schools on a needs basis to provide resources such as teacher's aides to support students with a disability, teacher training or literacy and numeracy intervention programs.

Mr Aplin welcomed the funding for local schools.

"Schools know best where to direct these funds, and we're pleased to provide this funding for a range of programs and resources to best support local students," Mr Aplin said.

"This funding will allow schools to provide the best education possible."

Education Minister Rob Stokes said the NSW Government is providing more than \$45 million to Catholic and Independent schools in 2017, up from the \$25 million in 2016.

"Our schools are important community assets, and we are committed to providing funds to support students in both government and non-government schools," Mr Stokes said.

This tranche of payments is the second of two for 2017, the first tranche being distributed in the first half of the year. Non-Government schools in the electorate have received a total of \$669,429.

Last month the government announced an additional \$12,728,881 in needs-based funding to Government schools in the electorate.

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