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MEDIA RELEASE

Schools set to save thanks to energy efficiency grants

Bayswater District MP Heidi Victoria has welcomed news that schools will receive \$10,000 from the Victorian Coalition Government to help save energy costs through better energy efficiency measures.

Ms Victoria said Boronia West Primary School and Heathmont College are among more than 200 Victorian schools who have received \$10,000 in the latest round of the Napthine Government's 2014 *Energy Efficiency Program*.

"This Napthine Government program, gives these schools the opportunity to minimise waste, save energy and water, and reduce their environmental footprint," Ms Victoria said.

"Schools can choose to install sustainable items such as solar panels, water tanks, veggie patches, energy-efficient light bulbs and appliances, and door and window draught seals.

"Through this program our schools in Bayswater District are reducing costs and teaching our students about sustainability in a practical way," Ms Victoria said.

"Educating our children about sustainable practices helps them develop the knowledge and skills to contribute to a more sustainable Victoria."

There are now more than 1,200 schools participating in the ResourceSmart program with Victorian school cutting costs by \$1.3m each year.

The grant can also be used for teacher professional development and the purchase of teaching and learning resources related to energy efficiency.

For more information about the Resource Smart Victorian Schools visit:

www.resourcesmartschools.vic.gov.au

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