

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND ESTIMATES COMMITTEE 2017-18



Education
and Training

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ESTABLISHING THE EDUCATION STATE

Through unprecedented investment, our last two state budgets provided:

- Over **\$4 billion** investment in our schools, including significant investment in school infrastructure
- Funded our election commitments with implementation underway
- **\$1.4 billion** to establish the Education state
 - This included **\$566 million** in increased equity funding
- Funded our share of the Gonski Agreement for 2015, 2016 and 2017



EQUITY FUNDING IN SCHOOLS

We have provided **\$566 million** over four years in additional equity funding to schools based on the levels of disadvantage at their school.

This comprised:

- **\$493 million** to support schools with students who face more barriers to success than their peers.
- **\$72.3 million** to target students who have not met the national NAPLAN standard.

Schools are using equity funding for a range of initiatives, including:

- Additional staffing to support targeted programs
- Intervention programs to support improved literacy and numeracy, or wellbeing
- Time release to allow teachers to participate in professional development such as professional learning communities



EQUITY FUNDING IN SCHOOLS

Case Study – Dallas Brooks Community Primary School

- \$1.6 million in equity funding for 2017
- Two English as an Additional Language language classrooms for students
- Full time social worker
- Employing maths consultant, literacy and numeracy coaches to significantly boost teaching expertise and student outcomes at all levels.
- Employing a play therapist to work with children who have experienced trauma

2017-18 BUDGET

The 2017-18 Budget builds on these investments by providing \$1.1 billion for the education portfolio:

- **\$675 million** for new schools, upgrades and new buildings
- **\$457 million** in output funding to support our students, teachers, principals and support staff



SCHOOLS EBA

On top of our investments in the 2017-18 Budget, the recently negotiated **\$2.3 billion** EBA puts teachers at the forefront of our school improvement agenda.

The EBA includes:

- **3000** new learning specialist positions created
- **2500** teachers and **5000** support staff will move from contract employment to ongoing employment
- **4%** pay increase for Principals per year
- **3.25%** pay increase for teachers and education support staff annually



INFRASTRUCTURE

We know a great education starts
with a great school

BUILDING THE EDUCATION STATE

- A funding boost of **\$675 million** in this year's Budget for:
 - new schools
 - scores of schools getting upgrades and new buildings

This includes **\$265.1 million** to plan and acquire land and build new schools, many in growth areas

- **\$85 million** to progress the Government's commitment to removing asbestos from all government schools



BUILDING THE EDUCATION STATE

- **\$195.2 million** to upgrade and modernise 108 schools across the state
 - **59** regional and rural schools
 - **49** metropolitan schools
- **\$44.4 million** to upgrade **six** special schools
- **\$75 million** for new relocatable buildings to meet immediate enrolment demand



BUILDING THE EDUCATION STATE

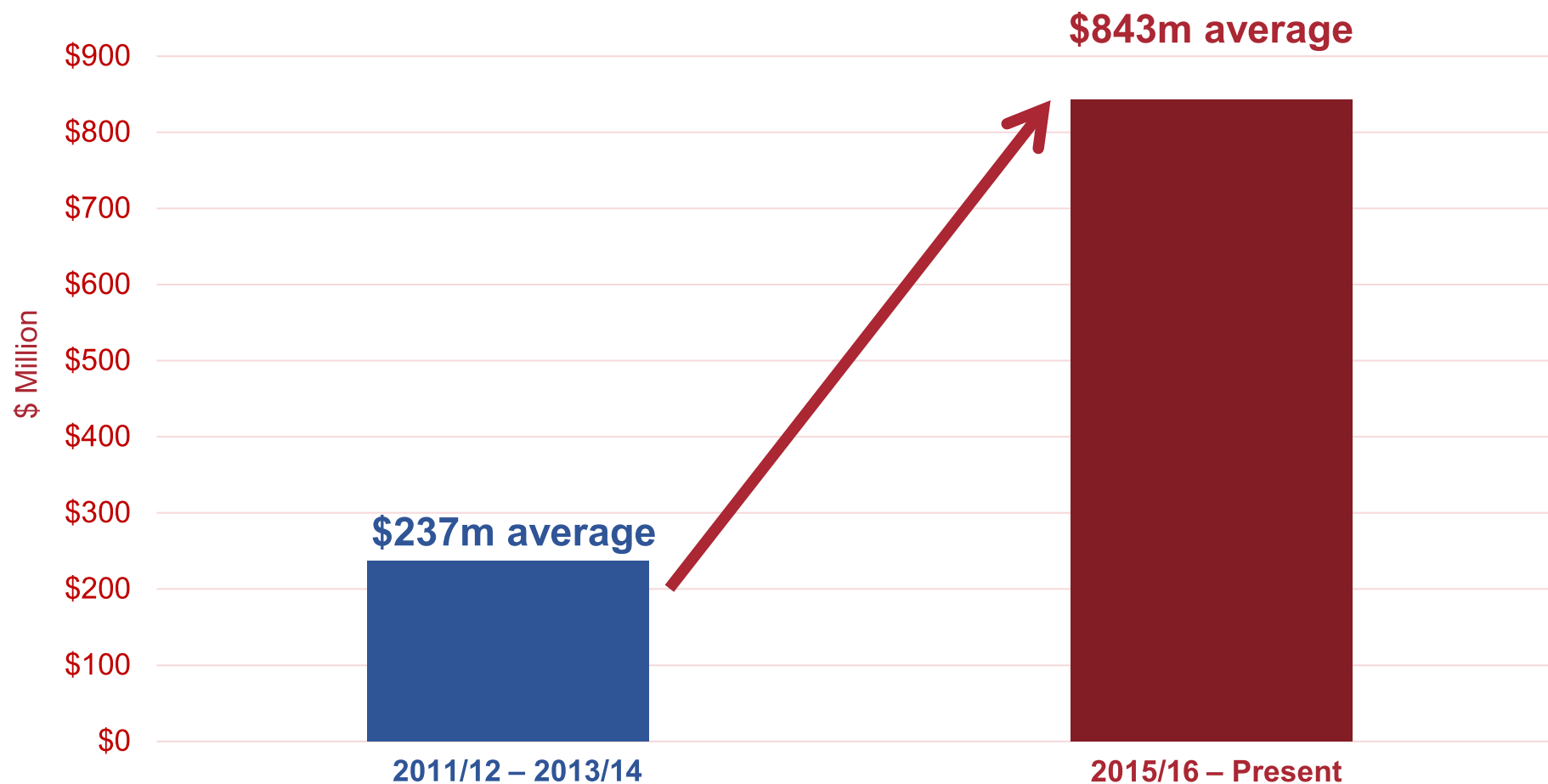
This huge investment in our schools and kids brings the Government's investment in school infrastructure to **\$2.5 billion** in only three budgets

The Government is rolling out **56** new schools across the state



SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT

First three education budgets



SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

Giving Victorian students a great education to thrive

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

The Victorian Budget invests **\$457 million** in school funding.

This includes:

- **\$90 million** in Education State funding
- **\$67.9 million** in Critical IT and an extra **\$16.4 million** to increase bandwidth and digital connectivity for rural schools.
- **\$9.2 million** for Swimming in Schools as part of the Victorian Curriculum
- **\$7.8 million** to extend the successful Navigator student re-engagement pilot to approximately 1700 students
- **\$5.7 million** more for schools to better enable them to accept late student enrolments
- **\$1.7 million** to extend Student Mentoring to an additional 800 students

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

We are also funding:

- **\$58.4 million** to meet demand for the Program for Students with Disabilities in 2018
- **\$21.2 million** for student transport to meet increased demand for specialist school students and expand the number of students eligible for the Conveyance Allowance Program
- **\$19.5 million** to boost teaching of English as an Additional Language



TEACHERS, PRINCIPALS AND SUPPORT STAFF

We recognise that our educators make a real difference in our classrooms and in the lives of our children

SUPPORTING OUR TEACHERS

\$50.7 million over five years to support more than **300** of Victoria's schools to adopt proven practices aimed at dramatically improving student outcomes:

- Turnaround Teams consisting of an executive principal and two leading teachers
- Highly capable Executive Principals
- School Improvement Partnerships to connect leadership teams from **64** underperforming schools with those from high-performing schools
- Up to **25** of Victoria's best teachers to join Specialist Teaching Teams and be deployed to build the capabilities of classroom teachers in up to **50** schools each year.



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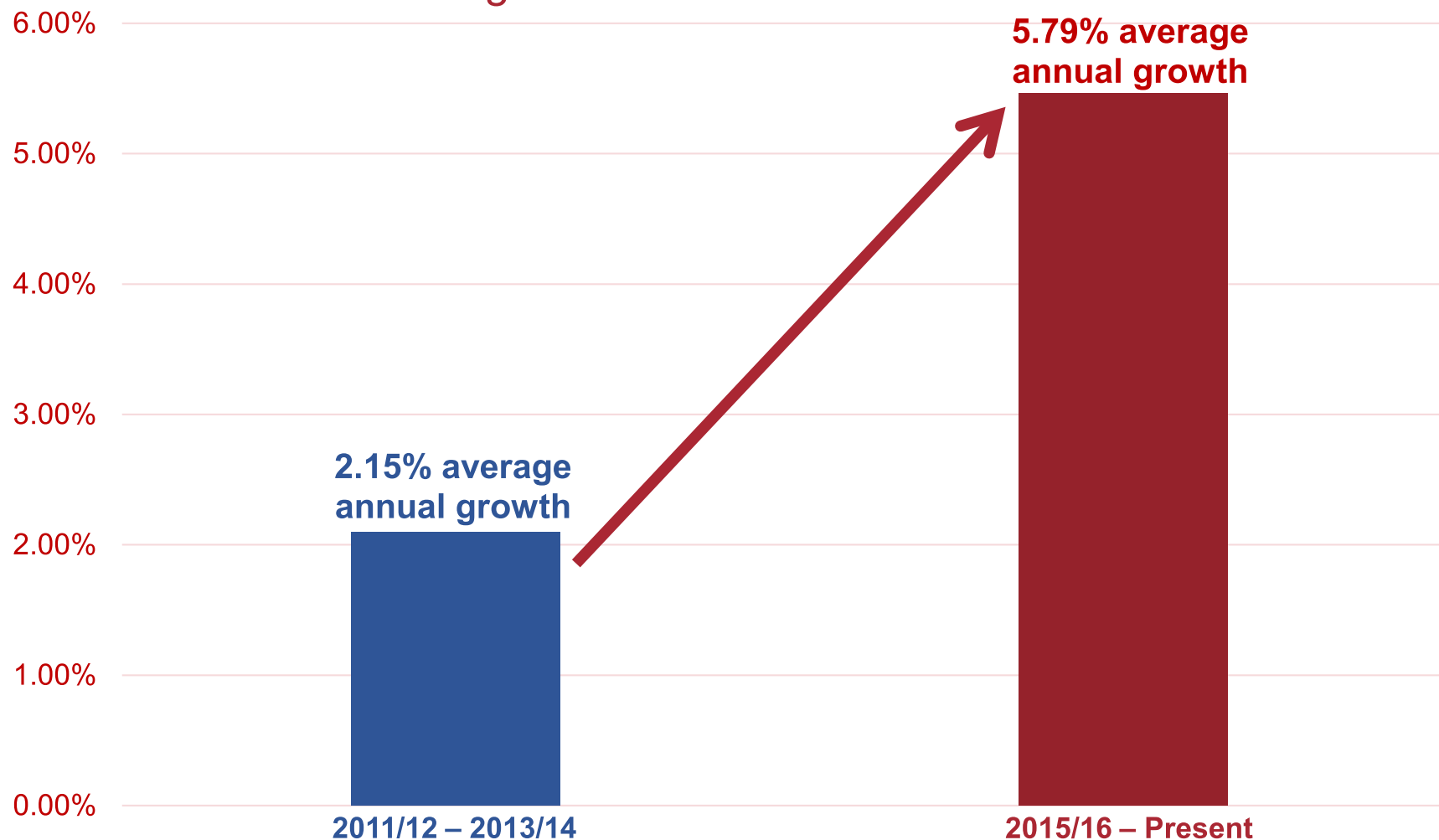
This Budget includes **\$9.7 million** for the landmark **Excellence in Teacher Education reforms**:

- to create high-quality, alternative pathways into teaching
- **\$4.6 million** to improve induction for up to **10,000** graduate teachers
- **\$3.1 million** to train about **250** high-achieving candidates to work in hard-to-staff schools

We will also invest **\$24 million** over **four** years to lift the quality of teaching and school leadership, which includes **\$18.3 million** to expand the Professional Learning Communities initiative to up to **200** schools

AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH IN EDUCATION PORTFOLIO OUTPUT FUNDING

First three education budgets



OUR FANTASTIC TEACHERS, PRINCIPALS AND SUPPORT STAFF

Together we are:

- transforming Victoria's education system
- Implementing the Government's school infrastructure program
- supporting our kids to thrive.



