

Investment in Catholic schools to help meet capacity challenge of the future

The \$47 million capital investment in increased school capacity announced today by the Victorian Government has been welcomed by Catholic Education Commission of Victoria Ltd Acting Executive Director, Jim Miles.

'We welcome this support from the Andrews Labor Government and its continuing commitment to funding increases in school capacity through the Non-Government Schools Capital Fund.'

'As the second largest provider of schooling in Victoria, expanding and upgrading existing school facilities is essential to meeting the challenge of increasing school enrolments.'

'This investment by the Victorian Government is a recognition of the contribution Catholic schools make to the community and the importance of our schools in meeting education demand.'

Mr Miles also welcomed planning permit reforms announced today by Premier Andrews.

'These changes will reduce the time and cost associated with the planning permit process, enabling Catholic education to better respond to the schooling : ion