

## **New South Wales Government Schools**

### **Jurisdiction-specific comments**

#### **Net recurrent income – Australian Government and State Government recurrent funding**

- The financial information represents the 2014 expenditure of NSW Government Schools. These expenditures are funded from the State Budget and School Generated Income.
- The NSW Government provides a base level of funding based on student enrolments and staff numbers to every school.
- Additional funds are allocated according to grant requirements and student needs.
- The NSW Government uses information from payroll, school annual financial statements, school cleaning and maintenance to estimate the required recurrent funding to operate schools.
- Staff salary, school support services and central office costs are centrally funded and managed by the Department on behalf of schools.
- An apportionment methodology has been used to attribute expenditures that could not be assigned to individual schools. For example:
  - Central office costs were apportioned to each school using student enrolments
- Expenditures relating to Government pre-schools were excluded from the report.
- School funding includes funds associated with specialist units attached to a host school, such as Intensive English and Distance Education Centres.

#### **Net recurrent income – fees, charges and parent contributions and other private sources**

- Schools receive income from fees, charges and parents contributions as well as other private sources, for example donations, fundraising and sponsorships.

#### **Capital expenditure**

- Capital programs are managed centrally.
- Commonwealth Government funding for capital programs primarily relates to Building Education Revolution (BER) amounts.