



Sid Sidebottom MP ... for a fair go in Braddon

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Funding boost for long day care at Latrobe

St Patrick's Child Care at Latrobe is set to grow when they receive additional funding under the Child Care Services Support Program says the Federal Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom MP.

Minister for Early Childhood Education and Child Care Kate Ellis has announced that 13 long day care services in rural and remote areas across Australia will share \$3 million in extra funding from the program to upgrade their facilities.

Mr Sidebottom said St Patrick's would receive \$114,500 to extend the building to allow 20 extra care places.

"This funding is part of the Australian Government's commitment to ensure all Australian families can access high quality, affordable child care services," Mr Sidebottom said.

"The additional funding will enable the centre to help meet the demand for child care in the Latrobe area and provide quality early childhood development and learning programs," he said.

Each centre will use this money to enhance their existing facilities so they can better meet their community's child care needs and improve the quality of care they provide.

"Child care is a vital part of providing the support families need and I'm pleased to see that St Patrick's will be able to extend its services to the people of Latrobe," Mr Sidebottom said.

Further information about the Child Care Services Support Program is available from www.deewr.gov.au/EarlyChildhood.

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