



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

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HUNDREDS OF COMPUTERS TO LOCAL SCHOOLS UNDER THREAT

Hundreds of computers promised to local schools are under threat, with Tony Abbott planning to rip computer funding away from local schools, Member for Braddon, Sid Sidebottom MP said today.

Mr Sidebottom said local high school students in years 9 to 12 would be some of the 120,000 kids across Australia who will miss out having one to one access to a computer at school.

“We are getting on with the job of providing computers for every school student,” Mr Sidebottom said.

“But there is a big risk to that plan – it’s Tony Abbott and his \$700 million cut which will take away computers from local schools.

“This will mean hundreds of students will miss out on a computer in our area.”

Mr Sidebottom said that the Rudd Government is on track to meet its commitment of having one computer per student in years 9 to 12 by the end of next year, with the states currently conducting large scale roll outs.

“The Rudd Government has delivered over 260,000 computers to help over 2,300 schools get the technology they need,” Mr Sidebottom said.

“But Tony Abbott will cut the funding to schools yet to receive their computers – including many in our local area.

“Local senators Stephen Parry and Richard Colbeck need to explain why they support Tony Abbott’s plan to cut computers from our local schools.”

Local schools that will miss out on computers under Tony Abbott cuts.

School	Number of Computers
Geneva Christian College	3
Leighland Christian School	19
North West Christian School	2
Circular Head Christian School	11
Seabrook Christian School	4
St Brendan-Shaw College	46
Marist Regional College	56

The Don College	95
Hellyer College	71
Parklands High School	21
Reece High School	40
Ulverstone High School	34
Wynyard High School	22
Burnie High School	37
King Island District High School	4
Penguin High School	23
Smithton High School	20
Yolla District High School	13
School of Special Education Burnie	1
Devonport High School	35
Latrobe High School	22
School of Special Education North West	1
TOTAL	580

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