

## Frome Electorate Office

Hon Geoff Brock MP, Member for Frome



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## School power costs to be cut by more than \$2m a year

Balaklava High School, Clare High School, Clare Primary School, Port Broughton Area School, Port Pirie West Primary School, Risdon Park Primary School and the Riverton and District High School are seven schools within my Electorate of Frome that will receive \$25,000 to replace inefficient lighting, such as fluorescent tubes, and install lighting sensors and timers.

The John Pirie Secondary School in Port Pirie will receive \$250,000 for solar panels and LED Lighting Upgrades.

The \$15 million investment in solar panels and energy efficient lighting will save school's money, reduce carbon emissions and create jobs for South Australians.

It is anticipated power bills at the 40 schools receiving solar panels could reduce by about \$30,000 on average each year.

Local businesses, contractors and suppliers will be targeted to ensure the local industry benefits from this program.

It is anticipated that the program will create 38 full time equivalent jobs and installation of the solar panels and LED lighting will begin this year.

Program planning is underway and letters detailing further information have been sent to the schools involved.

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