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Dear Mr Bleijie 

Thank you for your email dated 7 March 2024 regarding security fencing at Buddina State School.

The Queensland Government remains committed to making state schools safe and supportive places to learn.

I appreciate your advocacy for the Buddina State School community, and acknowledge your further request for perimeter security fencing to be provided as an additional security measure.

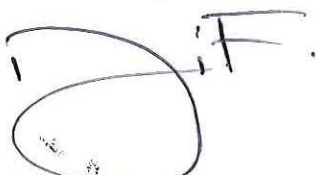
As previously communicated, funding has been approved under the Department of Education's Targeted Maintenance program to replace a portion of the existing perimeter fence at the front of the school with a 2.1-metre-high security fence, equivalent to Type 1 security fencing. It is anticipated that the contract for this project will be awarded in Term 2, 2024, with work scheduled for completion in mid-2024.

While I note and thank you for your support, the school does not meet the requirements under its security risk rating for a Type 1 security fence. As with all other schools, the Department will continue to regularly review and monitor the school's rating. In addition, the School Security Advisor is working with Buddina State School to develop strategies to mitigate security risks on an ongoing basis, and will continue to monitor and support the school to manage future security risks, should they arise.

If you require additional information or would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Ms Cathi Collier, Chief of Staff of my office, on (07) 3719 7110.

Thank you for your continued support of Buddina State School.

Yours sincerely



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