Our reforms are the most significant in a century to improve outcomes for all students, raise the quality of teaching, and give more authority to schools to meet the needs of their local communities.

Total expenses for education, training and early childhood education are budgeted at $14.4bn.

$53m increase on last year’s expenditure to support initiatives for Aboriginal communities, multicultural communities, veterans, young people and volunteers.

Our schools will have certainty in planning for the future with the NSW Government’s commitment to fully fund its $1.76 billion commitment under the National Education Reform Agreement.
Budget highlights include

**Government schools**
- **$10.7bn** for NSW Public Schools
- **$347m** maintenance for schools
- **$400m** capital works and upgrades
- **16** major school projects
- **256** new permanent classrooms

**Early childhood education**
- **$361m** including allocations to maintain universal access to quality early childhood education in the year before school

**Aboriginal affairs**
- **$5.1m**
  - $2.4 million from a total $5.1 million in 2014-15 for continued implementation of OCHRE, the NSW Government plan for Aboriginal affairs, to support the revitalisation and maintenance of Aboriginal languages through the Language and Culture Nests and funding for Opportunity Hubs to match school students with local training opportunities

**Gallipoli commemoration**
- **$1m** for 100 NSW high school students to travel to the Gallipoli Dawn Service next year, to share in the centenary commemorations of the Anzac landing at Gallipoli

**Youth**
- **Advocate for Children and Young People** to prepare a whole-of-government strategy addressing issues such as cyberbullying, mental illness, community safety and misuse of alcohol and drugs

**Sport and Recreation**
- **$117m** for sports, facilities, infrastructure and programs across NSW

The **extra $230 million in school funding** in 2014-2015 across all school sectors from the ‘Gonski’ agreement will **allow us to accelerate reforms including** Local Schools, Local Decisions, the Resource Allocation Model, Great Teaching, Inspired Learning and the Rural and Remote Education Blueprint for Action.