INQUIRY INTO THE BUILDING THE EDUCATION REVOLUTION PROGRAM

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The BER program have built our school (Tottenham Central School) a canteen. It cost \$600,000 and is 24 square metres. That's \$25,000 per square metre. There was an article on the front page of The Australian paper last Friday (21st May) and their canteen was huge and it cost \$2500 per square metre. It's an absolute joke that it could cost so much. It is half the size of our original canteen which we didn't want replaced. It is a demountable and we don't want to now loose it as it has a great sheltered area for the kids to have their lunch in on rainy days. Our local council are building a new club house at our sports ground at a cost of \$415,000 and is 6 times the size. Our new canteen doesn't have a toilet for staff which the old one did. Our canteen manager would have to close the canteen every time she had to go to the office to use the toilet. It's just not suitable. There are not appliances with the new canteen and when the ones from the old canteen are put into the new one there is not preparation room. Once the fridges go in there isn't enough room for two people to pass one another. It's dangerous. Certainly not work safe. It has been a complete waste of taxpayers money and the money could have been spent more wisely. Just think of the size of the house you could build for \$600,000. It certainly would be bigger than a single car garage. Please don't let the labour government get away with such waste.