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THE HUB: CAMPAIGN FOR QUALITY SCHOOL LIBRARIES IN AUSTRALIA FEDERAL ELECTION 2010

The Greens place a high value on public education and recognise that investment in the education sector pays enormous social dividends. For this reason, our policy holds that 'the government has a primary responsibility to fund all levels of the public education system - early childhood education, schools, vocational education and training and universities - to provide high quality education to all students'¹. Sufficient resourcing for measures that improve literacy and reading are naturally central to this.

Consequently, the Greens unequivocally support the continuation of the House of Representatives ***Inquiry into School Libraries and Teacher Librarians in Australian Schools*** after the election. We will monitor the outcomes with interest and support recommendations that we consider are well targeted to improving educational outcomes, especially literacy. Until all evidence to the inquiry has been assessed and the inquiry has reported, it would be premature to make any more specific commitments.

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¹ <http://greens.org.au/policies/care-for-people/education>

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