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Frankston students welcomed back from holidays with refurbished wellbeing centre

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Refurbishments have begun at McClelland College's wellbeing centre in Frankston to support at risk and disengaged students as part of a partnership with South East Water.

"Students who access the wellbeing centre and counselling services consistently present with challenging or adverse life experiences – the tools and support provided by the wellbeing team help them to participate and achieve," said McClelland College Wellbeing Coordinator Sarah Williams.

Of the 911 students enrolled at the school, more than 150 are consistently engaged in the wellbeing support and re-engagement programs. Ms Williams said it was important these students had access to a wellbeing area which could provide support in an environment that is warm, inviting and safe.

"McClelland College provides invaluable wellbeing and support services to its students to ensure every child can reach their full potential and is given the best chance for a successful future," said State MP for Frankston Paul Edbrooke, who came down to the school to see the renovations being done.

"The school's new partnership with South East Water is a fantastic example of how organisations can support our community and its future – its making a real difference."

South East Water's qualified building team offered their time during school holidays to construct a kitchen area with breakfast facilities enabling the program to better provide the most important meal of the day to those who are missing out. Amendments to walls, doors and floor plan will take place in coming months to assist the program to deliver better services to more students. With furniture and appliances to be provided by South East Water as the business moves into its new office in Frankston.

"Health and wellbeing plays an integral role in school communities and McClelland College can be very proud of the great service being provided by its wellbeing program. We are delighted to play a small role in helping it do more so that more of Frankston's most vulnerable children get supported through their schooling and equipped with the skills to carry them to a successful career and future," said Rupert Posner, Corporate Affairs Manager for South East Water.

South East Water will make the move to its new head office in Frankston in coming months.

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Caption: State MP for Frankston Paul Edbrooke alongside South East Water employees Bruce and Rohan and McClelland Wellbeing Coordinators Sarah Williams and Danielle Harry.



Caption: South East Water builder Bruce installing the new kitchen at McClelland's wellbeing centre.