

## **ORDER PAPER**

**MONDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

### **Written Question 12/2017**

**Hon. Ro Kiniviliame Kiliraki to ask the Minister for Education, Heritage and Arts – Can the Minister provide what is the correct roll of teacher/student ratio at Queen Victoria School.**

### **RESPONSE**

- Queen Victoria school was severely damaged during Cyclone Winston in February last year.
- The school roll at that time was 740 students.
- After reconstruction, the school was officially opened by the Honorable Prime Minister of Fiji on 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.
- Classes for the 2017 Academic year began on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2017.
- The current student roll at Queen Victoria school is 1029 students. There are 43 teachers. This equates to a teacher: student ratio of 1:23.
- The school has 20 streams:
  - 5 year 9 streams having a total of 280 students.
  - 4 year 10 streams having a total of 201 students.
  - 4 year 11 streams having a total of 206 students.
  - 4 year 12 streams having a total of 208 students.
  - 3 year 13 streams having a total of 133 students.
- The subjects offered at Years 9 and 10 are: English, Mathematics, Basic Science, Social Science, Commerce, Basic Technology and Vosa Vaka Viti. The students also have Religion, FLE and PEMAC classes.

- The subjects offered at Years 11, 12 and 13 are English, Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Technical Drawing, Applied Technology, Accounting, Economics, Vosa Vaka Viti, Computer Studies, History and Geography. All students do English, Mathematics and three of the other optional subjects.
- The school has 9 teachers in the Language department, 4 teachers in the Science department, 8 teachers in the Mathematics/ Physics department, 6 teachers in the Social Science department, 4 teachers in the Commerce department, 4 teachers in the Industrial Arts department, 2 teachers in the Computer Studies department, 2 teachers in the PEMAC department, 1 Chaplin and 1 Counselor.