NEW SCHOOL THRIVES IN ITS FIRST SEMESTER

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The school, one of the three new ones which opened in The Ponds education precinct in January, has set high standards to the community.

The Ponds High School and The Ponds School for Specific Purposes are also in the same compound, part of the $660 million development by the NSW Government.

“It has been a wonderful and very busy six months since Riverbank Public School opened their doors,” Mrs Brown said.

“Our biggest achievement has been building a team of very dedicated teachers and we have enjoyed getting to know all of the students and their interests and working with staff and students of The Ponds High School.

“The biggest challenge will always be keeping up with the rapidly-increasing enrolments.” The school opened with 800 enthusiastic students at the beginning of the year and has since welcomed 70 new pupils.

“We have started two new classes this term and are looking forward to another 160 new enrolments at the beginning of 2016,” Mrs Brown said.

“In a short time all students have embraced the many wonderful opportunities available at Riverbank Public.”

The school has organised Anzac services, sport carnivals, choir, school band, dance groups, enjoyed an Easter hat parade, took part in the Jump Rope for Heart Foundation, and participated in Harmony Day and NAIDOC Week

Students Oliver Davidson and Adon Anby at Riverbank Public School.