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## Construction starts on Queensland's first FamilyLinQ integrated school-based hub at Kingston State School

**The first sod has been turned at Kingston State School to mark the start of construction on Queensland's first FamilyLinQ hub.**

The Bryan Foundation was proud to participate in the special event alongside Queensland Treasurer, Minister for Trade and Investment and Member for Woodridge, Mr Cameron Dick, who officially represented Education Minister Grace and was joined by The Bryan Foundation's Executive Director, Matthew Cox and Chair, Jill Simes.

Due for completion in late 2023, the FamilyLinQ hub will play a central role in school community life, providing safe, welcoming and inclusive spaces with a clear focus on improving health, educational and life outcomes for children and their families.

Services available at the hub will be tailored to meet community needs and will incorporate; health, family support, quality educational resources, early childhood support and services, adult education and training and community activities.

Minister Dick said it's a great project for our community and for Queensland. "This is going to be transformative for the families who live in and around Kingston State School and for the local community. It brings together health, education and other services in a facility that will be open, welcoming and will help improve and transform lives."

"FamilyLinQ is an exciting new initiative that brings together the best of government education, health, philanthropy and community partners to support the wellbeing of Queensland kids and their families," said Matthew Cox, Executive Director of The Bryan Foundation. "We are proud to be part of this important collaboration and look forward to seeing the positive impact that FamilyLinQ will have on our community."

This new collaboration between the Queensland Government, The Bryan Foundation and key partners, is aimed at improving the wellbeing and life outcomes of Queensland kids and their families and highlights the commitment to support families as they grow, learn and thrive.

A photograph and video from the official sod turning event can found overleaf:

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Figure 1 (L to R) Fletcher Price, 3<sup>rd</sup> year apprentice at Energypro Electrical Solutions, The Bryan Foundation's Executive Director, Matthew Cox and Chair, Jill Simes; Kingston State School Principal, Robyn Marshall; Minister Cameron Dick and Matthew Bedford, of Bedford Constructions.

Click [here](#) to watch the video of Matthew Cox speaking with Minister Cameron Dick at the official sod turning:



*Figure 2 The Bryan Foundation's Matthew Cox and Minister Cameron Dick discuss how FamilyLinQ will bring together health, education and other services... to help improve and transform lives.*

To receive further updates and information about this important initiative that demonstrates how philanthropy can work with government to make meaningful and positive impacts on the lives of children, families and local communities, please subscribe to [FamilyLinQ](#).