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RACEVIEW STUDENTS FOCUSSED ON FOSSILS

Students at Raceview Primary School have not been backward in coming forward with their plan for Queensland to have a Fossil Emblem, according to Member for Ipswich Rachel Nolan.

“So far, they’ve written to the Premier, the Deputy Premier, the Minister for Education, the Director of the Queensland Museum, the President of the Royal Geographical Society of Queensland, the Fossil Collectors Association of Australasia and me, lobbying for Queensland to have a Fossil Emblem,” Ms Nolan said.

Raceview students first got the idea last year when, as part of Children’s Book Week, their teacher/librarian Mark Prouatt, introduced to the Year 4 class *Gogofish! The Story of the Western Australian State Fossil Emblem*.

“The students are now seeking community support for their idea to have the *Muttaburrasaurus* as the Queensland Fossil emblem.

“The *Muttaburrasaurus*, a plant eating dinosaur that lived about 113 million years ago, was named from a fossil found at Muttaburra in Central Queensland in 1981 and would be a very appropriate Fossil Emblem for Queensland,” Ms Nolan said.

“I commend the students and their teacher, Mark Prouatt, for their innovative thinking and for the tenacity they have shown in realising their goal. I urge Ipswich people to support their cause by writing to me at PO Box 98, Booval 4304 or emailing ipswich@parliament.qld.gov.au.