

Investing for Success

**Under this agreement for 2017
Biloela State High School will receive**

\$240,500*

This funding will be used to

- improve student outcomes in writing, measured through NAPLAN Year 7 and 9, to the National Average.
- support whole school systems using explicit instruction processes including broad brush unit planning that details critical content and motivational pedagogy and clearly articulates expectations for assessment.
- enhance resources for the teaching of literacy and numeracy.
- support improvements in teaching practice through collegial coaching.
- provide targeted opportunities for hands on learning for students at risk of disengagement and for access to an increased number of opportunities provided by the VET sector and local business and industry.
- provide support for the full range of student learners by enhancing the provision of Teacher Aide, Youth Support Coordinator and Chaplaincy support.

Our initiatives include


- employment of a Head of Department, Teaching and Learning, to focus on leading focussed literacy lessons for students in Junior Secondary and leading a teacher collegial engagement program.
- a sharp and defined focus on improving students skills in writing through a whole school action plan.
- the continuation of a whole school process that supports explicit instruction and uses a common unit planning and assessment framework.
- teacher employment to support hands on learning with smaller class sizes using the ASDAN learning framework in Years 9 and 10 and supporting engagement with local business and industry by a Pathways Officer.
- employment of a chaplaincy mentor to enhance outcomes of our chaplaincy program for students at risk.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Focussing on key literacy targets during targeted lessons – improving writing results in NAPLAN to the National Average.
- Improving student's writing skills through improved knowledge of text types, NAPLAN Writing Criteria and whole school expectations for writing within each subject.
- Improving student engagement through consistent teaching practices and common assessment devices.
- Improving teaching skills through a collegial coaching process.
- Supporting students at risk to remain engaged and motivated for learning.



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