

Investing for Success

Under this agreement for 2017 Townsville Community Learning Centre – A state Special School will receive **\$101,180***

This funding will be used to

- 100% of students have a writing goal in their ICP
- 100% of students engage in writing daily
- 100% of conventional readers are PM benchmarked twice yearly with adapted materials
- 100% of conventional readers progress within and across level

Our initiatives include

- Development of a shared understanding of 'data literacy' and support teachers and leadership teams to effectively use data to inform targeted teaching in reading and writing.
- Development of a whole school approach to teaching reading for comprehension and writing
- Professional development and coaching to develop teachers' understandings and skills for:
 - progressing writing skills for students operating on the general capability and those operating on Different Year Level Partial Curriculum.
 - developing comprehension skills for students who are able to read.
- Revision and refining of the school pedagogical framework and embedding it as the shared language of teaching and learning in reading and writing
- Education for parents to develop their understanding of early reading, writing and communication and how to support these emergent skills at home.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Development and implementation of a whole school approach to teaching writing (aligned to and including 4 Blocks to literacy and engagement with the *How to Teach Writing* online coaching module) (nil cost)
- Development and implementation of a 'whole school approach to teaching reading comprehension' (\$4800)
- Teacher release to undertake an instructional coaching cycle for all teachers (supporting reading, writing and communication) (\$34500)
- Establishing a professional learning team to support staff development in the use of the PODD and enhance student skills when using AAC (PODD).
- Human resources to develop programs/materials to use when working with specific students on reading and writing goals. (\$62500)



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