Under the agreement for 2015
Rockhampton Special School will receive $27,474*

*Estimated on 2014 data. Actual funding will be determined after 2015 enrolment data is finalised.

This funding will be used to

- By the end of 2015 students accessing an academic program will have increased two levels in PM Benchmark’s comprehension assessment.
- Allocate two teacher aides who in conjunction with class teachers will implement the PM Guided Reading Program every day in allocated priority learning time.
- Purchase reading and assessment materials to compliment resources purchased in the GRG from 2014 that can be accessed using technology.
- Release chosen teacher aides to upskill in reading, comprehension and assessment in the area of reading by the Master Teacher allocated to this school.
- Release lead cohort teachers to be upskilled in reading, comprehension and explicit instruction by the Master Teacher. In turn Lead Teachers will upskill other cohort teachers.

Our strategy will be to

- Develop a data spreadsheet that includes the tracking of comprehension skills.
- Gather base line data in all areas of reading.
- Implement the PM Benchmarks literacy program that will be presented every day within individual class settings.
- Purchase resources to compliment current literacy resources but that are presented through technology at targeted opportunities throughout the school day in classes.
- Assess student progress every ten weeks and review / update practices as required.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Resource purchase of two teacher aides to implement PM Reading Program with a focus on comprehension that will show students participating in the program will increase two levels in the area of comprehension ($24,162.02).
- Purchase of technology resources from PM eCollection to compliment and add to PM Reading resources purchased in 2014 from GRG funding ($900.00).
- Release of lead cohort teachers one day per term to upskill in reading and comprehension with our HOC and Master Teacher ($1,623.72).
- Release lead cohort teachers to upskill class teachers ($788.26 funding and remainder paid by school).

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