

Investing for Success

Under this agreement for 2019
Rockhampton Special School will receive

\$43,363*

This funding will be used to:

- Build teacher capability in implementing the 4 blocks balanced literacy program to enhance student outcomes in reading and writing.
- Build teacher capability for collecting and analysing student literacy data to inform teaching practice.
- Increase staff capability to continue with successful teaching practices in literacy.
- Maintain a positive learning community for balanced literacy to drive literacy improvement across the whole school.

Our initiatives include:

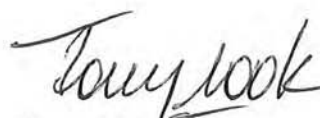
- Releasing staff for in-class modelling, observations and feedback in alignment with the balanced literacy model.
- Releasing staff to maintain currency on Rockhampton Special School balanced literacy edStudio to ensure all new and current staff are aware of resources available to support the consistent implementation of balanced literacy across all classes.
- Teachers leading committee meetings and brainstorming and giving feedback to teachers regarding decisions made during these meetings.
- Upskilling staff to ensure they are confident when implementing literacy assessment tasks and collating this information for analysis.
- Ensuring staff are aware of time requirements for the implementation of assessment for literacy data collection and currency of reporting occurs across the whole school.
- Purchasing student and staff resources to enhance program delivery and student outcomes
- Creating position of Literacy Lead Teacher to lead the implementation of 4 blocks.
- Providing targeted professional development (PD) and coaching to deepen teacher understandings and to encourage collaborative practice.

Our school will improve student outcomes by:

• Staff Personal Development (attendance at literacy intensive PD) – 3 staff members travel, accommodation and registration costs	\$10 000.00
• Staff release for observations and feedback – 15 days (3 per term)	\$ 6749.40
• Staff and student resources	\$ 9626.73
• Literacy Lead Teacher, Staff release – 0.2 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Term 2 – 4 to lead implementation of 4 blocks balanced literacy program	\$16 986.87
Total	\$43 363.00



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* Funding amount estimated on 2018 data. Actual funding will be determined after 2019 enrolment data are finalised. Actual expenditure may be varied due to changes in finalised 2019 enrolment data and student learning needs.



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