

Investing for Success

**Under this agreement for 2018
Gladstone West State School will receive**

\$261,451*

This funding will be used to

- Increase percentage of students at or above the NAPLAN National Minimum Standards (NMS) in Writing: Year 3 from 94% to 98%; Year 5 from 76% to 90%, and the percentage of students in the NAPLAN Upper Two bands (U2B) in Writing: Year 3 from 37% to 45% and Year 5 from 7% to 25%.
- Increase Indigenous student's attendance from 89% to 93%.
- Increase the percentage of students Year 1 to Year 6 achieving between A-C achievement data for English from 90% to 98%, and the percentage of students Year 1-Year 6 achieving between A-B data for English from 23% to 35%.

Our initiatives include

- In 2018 Gladstone West State School has introduced the inquiry cycle to teachers where they have created a problem of practice focusing on the *improved teaching practices of writing*.
- Supporting teachers to build capacity to deliver quality instruction in writing.
- Mapping and tracking student performance in writing to target learning support and resources.
- Modelling and coaching professional practices for providing feedback to students targeting writing goals (Skills).
- Integrating support structures to engage and improve attendance of "at risk" (<85% attendance).

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Employ a Pedagogy Coach to work across the school to enhance the teaching of writing (Model and Coaching). **\$71,000**
- Employ a Community Education Officer to work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their families to effect improved attendance and achievement rates. **0.6 FTE \$25,500**
- Employ a Deputy Principal. **FTE 0.3 \$70,000**
- Targeted Teacher Aide support for students identified as English as Another Language/Dialect. **\$34,000**
- Additional Teacher aide funding for Literacy intervention to target (*just below students, including indigenous students*) in Year 1, 2 and 3. Teacher aide support program for disengaged or at risk attendance students.



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