

Investing for Success

**Under this agreement for 2017
Hervey Bay Special School will receive**

\$75,700*

This funding will be used to

- Embed our whole school 'Four Blocks to Literacy' approach across the school and increase students' achievement levels with Emergent Readers by 35% and Conventional Readers by 35%.
- Increase the number of students across the school exposed to PODD (Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Display) as key communication strategy by 45%.
- Design and implement a whole school Mathematics program from the Australian Curriculum that increases students' numeracy skills by 60%.

Our initiatives include

- Continuing to embed best practices of Hervey Bay School's Speech and Language Communication Framework to align with the Australian Curriculum.
- Employing a Speech Language Pathologist (0.1) to build staff capacity in application of PODD for students requiring alternative or supported communication.
- Employing and training an intervention literacy teacher aide 10 hours per week to support our 'Reading Coach' in enhancing our whole school Four Blocks to Literacy approach.
- Engaging our Master Teacher for 0.2 to design and implement a whole school Mathematics program from the Australian Curriculum.
- Engaging specialist (Regional Maths Project Officer) to coach and mentor staff in development and implementation of whole school Mathematics program.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

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| • Ensuring 100% of teachers are utilising PODD (Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Display) as a key communication strategy. | \$19,000 |
| • Ensuring that students' Individual Support Plans focus on strategies and resources developed from our Four Blocks to Literacy training. | \$9,000 |
| • Ensuring every student accessing a different year level partial curriculum in Mathematics through an Individual Curriculum Plan will achieve a 'C' standard or better against the relevant Year - level achievement standard. | \$28,000 |
| • Ensuring every student requiring alternative or supported communication will have targeted communication goals incorporating PODD (Pragmatic Organisation Dynamic Display) as part of their Individual Support Plans. | \$19,700 |



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