

Investing for Success

**Under this agreement for 2017
Toogoolawah State High School will receive**

\$157,720*

This funding will be used to

Improve Reading, Comprehension and Writing outcomes of Junior Secondary students by continuing the School's *Signature Literacy Plan* so that:

- TSHS's average in the NAPLAN Writing Test is similar to the Queensland State Schools' average.
- TSHS's average in the NAPLAN Reading Test is similar to the Queensland State Schools' average.
- The percentage of students in the Upper Two Bands of the NAPLAN Reading Test is similar to the Queensland State Schools' average.

Our initiatives include

- Improving students' Literacy through learning that explicitly addresses the Literacy skills required by assessment items.
- Building Teacher capacity to explicitly teach the Literacy skills required by assessment items.
- Focusing on coaching and professional development based on the P-10 Literacy Continuum.
- Continuing to employ a Head of Department for Literacy to lead the development and implementation of the School's Literacy Plan.
- Continuing to share TSHS's practice with the Region through the 'Leading Learning Collaborative' project in partnership with Dr Lyn Sharratt.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

• Employing a Head of Department for Literacy.	\$58,000
• Building capacity of our Teachers to recognise, teach and reflect on the Literacy demands of assessment.	\$20,000
• Developing whole school reading Comprehension and Writing resources.	
• Enabling Teachers to work collaboratively in analysing data to assess students' current Writing performance and then determine the specific and targeted strategies required.	
• Continuing to fund the key initiatives of the School Improvement Agenda through resourcing, staffing and professional development in the following areas – improving basic Literacy, Numeracy and Science standards; embedding school-wide reading Comprehension; supporting student welfare; engaging students in learning; embedding the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) philosophy; increasing student attendance; improving student transitions to work; and supporting staff wellbeing and community confidence.	\$79,720



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