

# Investing for Success

**Under this agreement for 2018  
Depot Hill State School will receive**

**\$32 427\***

## This funding will be used to

Improve student academic performance

- Increase the number of students meeting National Minimum Standard (NMS) on NAPLAN tests in Year 3 and 5 in the area of writing
- 0% gap between results of indigenous and non-indigenous students on NAPLAN tests
- Improve the number of children reaching the Upper Two Bands (U2B) on writing tests for Year 3 and Year 5 students to be similar to Similar Queensland State Schools (SQSS).

Develop productive partnerships with students, staff, parents and the community

- Improve the whole school attendance rate to above the state average of 93% and decrease the percentage of students attending for less than 85% of the time to less than 10%
- Embed the agreed, consistent Positive Behaviours for Learning processes in all school settings, particularly anti-bullying processes.

## Our initiatives include

- Employing a Guidance Officer to work in the school one day a fortnight
- Implementing an evidence based writing programme - John Collins Writing - by training teachers and implementing a regime of observation, both between classrooms and with neighbouring schools who are implementing the same program
- School based funding of part of an extra teacher to provide small classroom sizes (average size of 17 students)
- Differentiate teaching across classes to support the U2B and students not reaching NMS with the support of teacher aides
- Employ a teacher aide for half an hour a day to communicate with parents regarding absenteeism and provide support
- Tie Positive Behaviour for Learning rewards each term to attendance.

## Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Implementing the Collins Writing Program – professional development of teachers which will be supported by observation lessons in the school and at neighbouring schools.
- School based purchase of a Guidance Officer
- Providing an extra teacher to reduce class sizes
- Providing a budget cost centre to support Positive Behavior for Learning programs
- Providing additional teacher aide time to support attendance and differentiation of learning.



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