Great Results Guarantee

Under this agreement for 2014
Townsville West State School will receive

$40,934*

This funding will be used to

- Increase the number of year 3 students meeting NMS in reading from 50% to 85% by 2015
- Increase the percentage of student results to ‘C’ or above in English in year 2 from 74% to 85% within two years
- Increase the number of students in NAPLAN upper two bands in year 3 reading from 0% (2013) to 40% within two years.
- Develop learning plans for students who are identified below the national minimum standard for reading.
- Improve staff capacity through professional development on the explicit teaching of reading to improve student outcomes.

Our strategy will be to

- Implement an intervention program to improve reading skills based on research by Fountas & Pinnell that focuses upon the explicit teaching of reading in small group contexts (Hattie’s high yield strategy of intensive literacy programs - effect size 0.67);
- Support parent/carer engagement of student reading at home by establishing parent review and feedback sessions/workshops (Hattie’s high yield strategy of home environment -effect size 0.52).
- Build staff capacity in the pedagogy of reading through teacher release to engage in shadowing and collegial visits.
- Providing professional development for teachers in the teaching of reading and the collection, analysis and use of data. (Hattie’s high yield strategy of formative evaluation - effect size 0.90).
- Regularly review student data to track student performance and inform teacher pedagogy (Hattie’s high yield strategy of formative evaluation - effect size 0.90).

Our school will improve student outcomes by

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<td>Purchase additional hours to employ a STL&amp;N (0.47 fraction) to facilitate a reading intervention program and parent education program.</td>
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Director-General

*Based on 2013 data. To be updated when 2014 enrolment data is finalised.