Investing for Success

Under this agreement for 2018
Kedron State High School will receive

This funding will be used to

- Provide increased access to specialist EALD teachers to allow for smaller and more targeted language intervention programs.
- Provide targeted intervention programs for students identified as not meeting minimum standards in reading, writing and numeracy.
- Provide an accelerated learning program for highly capable junior secondary students.
- Meet school based priorities aligned to the school’s Explicit Improvement Agenda for 2018;
  - Clearly articulated 7 to 12 curriculum plan that is consistent, aligned and targeted.
  - Focus on improved performance in writing across all year levels – measuring a part of that success with NAPLAN for Year 7 & 9.
- Meet ongoing annual destination targets with 100% of senior students achieving QCE/QCIA attainment
- Boost opportunities for external and internal providers to support student wellbeing for at risk students
- Support student wellbeing programs that identify targeted groups and provide training and development through adventure based learning and social skill programs.
- Fund assessments of identified students with undiagnosed learning needs through external expertise

Our initiatives include

TARGETED ACADEMIC INTERVENTION & EALD
- Utilise additional staffing to reduce class size for students not meeting the achievement standard. Strategies including smaller class sizes, targeted teaching and scaffolding of assessment will be combined with the specific goal of improving student academic performance (A-E) across English, mathematics, science and humanities.
- Through thorough analysis of data, identify students requiring targeted intervention to either assist them in meeting the national minimum standards and/or improve their relative gain between NAPLAN tests.
- Targeted programs for highly capable students, specifically catering for students demonstrating high performance in curriculum beyond their current year level. Flexible curriculum offerings that allow within-class acceleration.
- Utilise the additional staffing allocations available through 14S funding to provide more direct instruction (through smaller class groups) time for EALD students to allow them to develop faster mastery of English.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- Provide ongoing professional development opportunities for teachers to increase their understanding of the achievement standards within the Australian Curriculum and how this impacts on their planning, differentiation and assessment practices.

STUDENT WELLBEING AND ASSESSMENTS
- Provision of a youth worker two days per week, working in collaboration with community connections.
- Continue to support student resilience programs and adventure based learning, operated by Kedron SHS staff.
- Identify socio-economically disadvantaged students with learning challenges that have no diagnosis. Utilise external assessments to allow the school to provide intervention for students and training to teachers.

QCE ATTAINMENT
- Employ a QCE attainment officer 2 days per week + QCE Coordinator to work with regional pathways officer and other external agencies to ensure at risk students achieve their QCE.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

Proposed expenditure to improve student outcomes is summarised below:

Targeted Intervention: Employment of teachers and teacher aides - $300 000
EAL/D: Employment of CORE teachers and teacher aides - $680 000
Prof Development: Key focus on developing staff confidence and efficacy with the Australian Curriculum - $32 643
QCE/Student Tracking: Continued employment of staff for pathways project and tracking student attainment - $ 62 000
Student Wellbeing: Employment of Youth Worker and funding of student resilience/leadership programs - $30 000
Student Assessments: Engage external providers to undertake assessments of identified students - $8 000
SWD: Meeting contingency costs or programs made available during 2018 to support SWD students- $ 11 500

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* Funding amount estimated on 2017 data. Actual funding will be determined after 2018 enrolment data are finalised.