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Under this agreement for 2017
Cooyar State School will receive $20,592

This funding will be used to

Improve student outcomes for writing, reading and numeracy so that:

- 100% of students will meet the minimum standard in reading as depicted on the Darling Downs South West Regional Benchmarks by the end of the 2017 school year.
- 100% of Year Three and Year Five students will achieve National Minimum Standard or above in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy in 2017.
- Build the capacity of teachers and teacher aides in delivering explicit learning experiences in key priority areas of Writing, Reading and Numeracy.

Our initiatives include

- Developing student centred individual learning goals that are shared with parents (Archer, 2011).
- Providing a focused and intensive teaching for students requiring additional support to demonstrate achievement against the year-level achievement standards (Archer and Hughes, 2011).
- Developing a whole school approach to teaching literacy to support the teaching of literacy across all learning areas (CSS AIP, 2017; CSS Curriculum Plan, 2017).
- Developing teacher capability to explicitly teach writing, reading and numeracy skills (Archer and Hughes, 2011).
- A Community Playgroup to support parents in the development of pre-school oral language, early literacy and social and emotional readiness for early educational settings (Advancing Education, DETE, 2016).

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Investing in Professional Development for teaching and support staff that aligns with the school’s key priorities - $1,788.00.
- Releasing teachers for term planning days and peer observation sessions with a focus on building teacher capability, including ‘Putting faces on the data’ (Lyn Sharratt), forward planning in school improvement areas and student learning goal development - $9,660.00.
- Investing in intensive reading and numeracy support for students at risk of not reaching regional benchmarks - $6,552.00.
- Financing and staffing the Community Playgroup - $2,592.00.

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