

Investing for Success

Under this agreement for 2021 Cairns State Special School will receive

\$61,515*

This funding will be used to

- enable our whole school priority of communication learning;
- support the data collection process - identifying and recording 100% of newly enrolled student communication capabilities, and all students due for a review, utilising the Pragmatic Profile;
- ensure staff are supported to model Pragmatic Organisational Dynamic Display (PODD)
- provide resources to support the assessment and development of all students' communication skills, including: access to therapists; a range of communication modes i.e. Augmentative or Alternative communication (AAC), technological resources, positive behaviour support and the curriculum;
- ensure students have current communication capabilities recorded in Personalised Learning on OneSchool.

Our initiatives include

Accessing the expertise of DoE Speech Language Pathologists (SL/Ps) and Advisory Teacher AAC each week to:

- support staff use of the Pragmatic Profile to inform student communication goals;
- provide ongoing professional development for all staff related to AAC, including Pragmatic Organisational Dynamic Display (PODD) modelling and PODD in practice;
- analyse student communication capabilities to inform the production of appropriate cell Pragmatic Organisational Dynamic Display (PODD) for staff members use;
- support the collection and analysis of communication capability data;
- produce or purchase up to 10 x Pragmatic Organisational Dynamic Display (PODD) for staff use.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- building teacher capacity of AAC pedagogy utilising DoE Speech Language Pathologists (SL/Ps) and Advisory Teacher AAC and local staff to deliver high quality, differentiated professional learning for all staff;
- providing the consumables needed to construct PODD to be utilised for our focus on PODD modelling. \$3267
- purchasing 34hrs a week teacher aide time to support students' access to learning and to support AAC resourcing. \$55,488
- purchasing 6 relief days to support new teaching staff meet with families/ Speech Language Pathologists to complete Pragmatic Profiles for students (review or new). \$2,760

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