Under the agreement for 2015 Woorabinda State School will receive $54,900*

*Estimated on 2014 data. Actual funding will be determined after 2015 enrolment data is finalised.

This funding will be used to

- Increase the percentage of students meeting the National Minimum Standards (NMS) in Year 3 Literacy and Numeracy in 2015: Reading (from 2014, 38%) to 50%; Writing (from 2014, 55%) to 65%; Spelling (from 2014, 50%) to 70%; Grammar & Punctuation (from 2014, 61%) to 71% with 12% in Upper 2 bands and Numeracy (from 2014, 72%) to 90% with 16% in the Upper 2 bands.
- Ensure 100% of Year 3 and 5 students improve in their NAPLAN Scale Score, in all strands, from February 2015 pre-test to actual NAPLAN test in May 2015. Ensure 100% of Year 2 and 4 students are on track to show an improvement in their NAPLAN Scale Score that is equal to or greater than the national improvement rate in 2014. Ensure that 90% of students in Years P-2 are achieving regional benchmarks in reading.
- Develop Individual Learning Guarantees for students not achieving the National Minimum Standards.

Our strategy will be to

- Implement daily reading blocks focusing on shared and guided reading activities supported by teacher aides.
- Write2Spell2Read spelling program to improve literacy including professional development with Sam Woods.
- Implement daily problem solving opportunities for higher order thinking. (Blooms Taxonomy).
- Improve teacher capability in Explicit Instruction. (Fleming: 2015) Embed a coaching and feedback culture.
- Support transition of pre-prep students through the implementation of the ‘Families as First Teachers’ program.

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Write2Spell2Read: resources, licenses, training, learning materials. $4,600
- Consultants to improve teacher and teacher aide capacity (Mackie/Fleming) $40,000
- Reading books for student borrowing to support reading programs. 10,300

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