

# Investing for Success

## Snapshot report

### Under the Investing for Success Agreement for 2018

Talara Primary College received

**\$383 052**

Our full 2018 agreement can be found on our school website.

### Our school initiatives are on track to meet or exceed our targets

During 2018, we focused on maximising the benefits of this funding for our students. It is clear that we are on track to meet or exceed our targeted student outcomes. We continue to implement our initiatives to ensure that every student succeeds.

Initiatives implemented include:

- Writing professional development for whole staff to ignite the writing journey and create sense of urgency and excitement in developing whole of school writing program.
- We have introduced the Get Reading Right phonics program to P-1 and will expand to Year 2 in 2019
- Collaboratively developed our whole school Diverse Learners policy to reflect the broader definition of disability and our commitment to inclusive practice.
- Learning plans for students who are below National Minimum Standard (NMS). In 2018 Talara had a greater percentage of students above the National Minimum Standard than the national average in all areas of Year 3 and Year 5 except for Year 3 spelling which was only 0.5 % below at 93.5%
- Increase the percentage of students in Mathematics and English achieving C or above in Prep (Making Connections) through to Year 4 to 80%. In 2018 Semester 2 all year levels were at 82% or greater. Across P-4 the average for English 85% and Maths 89% students attaining a C or better.
- Increase the number of students achieving in the Upper 2 Bands in Yr 3 Numeracy from 38% to 40% exceeded with 47% attaining in 2018
- Lift the average relative gain of assessed NAPLAN students from Year 3 to Year 5 to above similar state schools. Attained with the areas of numeracy and spelling being substantial lift.
- 95% of School Opinion Survey question S2053 students encouraged to use ICT for learning. Attained 95%

### Our school initiatives are showing substantial progress toward our targets

After reviewing our 2018 *Investing for Success* agreement, it is clear that we have made progress toward our targeted student outcomes. We will continue to focus on, and adjust our initiatives as needed to ensure every student succeeds.

Initiatives implemented include:

- TPC Year 3 boys' NAPLAN mean scale score in writing to meet national score for boys. Exceeded National Upper 2 Bands percentage by 4 %. Achieved same percentage (94.4) for NMS, however boys mean scale score 12 points under national mean.
- Increase the percentage of students in the NAPLAN Upper Two Bands in writing in Year 3 from 45 % to 50 % (2018 attained 49%) and Year 5 from 14% to 20%. (2018 only attained 15%)