

# Blacksmiths Public School

## School Plan 2012 - 2014

### **School Context**

Blacksmiths Public School is a small school of 120 students servicing a beachside community with a strong sporting focus. The school has an ongoing focus on literacy and numeracy improvement. Naplan and school based data shows improvement in both literacy and numeracy scores over the past 3 years. Best Start data shows K-2 students progress in both literacy and numeracy exceeds regional expectations. Year 5 school Naplan results in 2012 were at or above the national average in all areas, with Year 3 results at or slightly below. Year 5-7 growth in all areas is not as strong as that in Year 3-5 and this will be a focus in the next two years.

The school has strong programs in sport, environmental education, creative and performing arts and technology, resulting in high levels of student and parent satisfaction.

After analysis of school based and external data, and input from staff, students and community, the priority areas for 2012-2014 are improvement in literacy and numeracy and identification of, and catering for, high achieving students.

### **Priority Areas (3 year horizon)**

Priority 1: Improve school results in literacy

Priority 2: Improve school results in numeracy

Priority 3: Improve outcomes and achievements for high achieving students

### **Targets (1 year horizon) 2013**

Target 1: Increase % of students achieving greater than or equal to expected growth in Y3-5 reading to 78% in 2013 (from 67% in 2012).

Target 2: The percentage of students achieving expected growth in Year 5-7 numeracy will be equal to or greater than the state average.

Target 3: Increase percentage of students achieving in top 2 bands (proficiency level) in Year 5 numeracy to 35% in 2013 (from 24% 2010-2012 average)

Target 4: At least 85% of students will achieve grade appropriate Early Arithmetic Strategies levels by T4 2013

Target 5: The percentage of students achieving expected growth in Year5-7 reading will be equal to or greater than the state average.

### **The plan has been endorsed and approved by:**

<b>Principal:</b>		<b>Date:</b>		<b>School Education Director:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
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