Under the agreement for 2015
Homebush State School will receive

$15,560*

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

This funding will be used to

- Ensure that 100% of students in Years 3 and 5 meet the National Minimum Standard (NMS) in NAPLAN testing (Literacy and Numeracy) OR meet the guaranteed standard as outlined in a student’s Individual Learning Guarantee (ILG).
- Increase the number of students achieving U2B percentages in Year 3 and 5 for both Literacy and Numeracy.
- Focused coaching and professional development in using Explicit Instruction for the teaching of Reading, Spelling and Grammar and Mathematics.

Our strategy will be to

- Ensure all staff members participate in Collegial Coaching programs with the focus being Critical Teaching Skills in Literacy.
- Implement Explicit Instruction as the cornerstone pedagogy in all classrooms.
- Review student performance data regularly utilising systemic assessment and internal monitoring data to monitor student progress and inform teaching practices.
- Implement a Focused, Intensive Teaching (F.I.T) program (Reading Comprehension focus) that targets U2B students in Years 3, 5 in Term 1 and Years 2, 4, 6 in Term 4.


Our school will improve student outcomes by

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<td>Employing a specialist teacher to enhance Literacy teaching to improve students’ higher order Literacy and Numeracy skills across school</td>
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<td>Employing casual relief staff allowing teachers to develop capability through lesson observation, coaching and mentoring related to Explicit Instruction of Reading, Spelling and Grammar and Mathematics</td>
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<td>Purchasing resources to support focus areas in Literacy and Numeracy</td>
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