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# **School Profile**

Purpose	To provide excellence in education, developing the whole child, intellectually, physically, socially, emotionally and aesthetically, within a vibrant and nurturing learning community.
Values	LEARNING We value learning which empowers each student to explore and engage with the world.
	RESPECT We value, embrace and celebrate diversity.
	FAIRNESS We value honesty, trustworthiness and fairness.
	COMMUNICATION We value free and confident communication of ideas and opinions.
	COURAGE We value self-acceptance and the courage to learn, grow and realise one's potential.
Environmental Context	Brunswick South-West Primary School is a strong child-centred learning community located six kms north of the CBD. The school has approximately 340 students from many different cultures and backgrounds; the overall socio-economic profile is high; similarly, the proportion of students with English as a second language is high. The multi-age class groupings promote diversity, inclusiveness and cooperation and have a positive influence on the school's character. The atmosphere is calm and friendly. Strong literacy and numeracy curricula underpin high quality specialist and complementary programs; information technologies are imbedded in the curriculum. The school's openness to new ideas and educational research initiatives ensure that curriculum stays rigorous and lively and that its students are challenged to extend themselves. The facilities include: the original 1927 three-storey building refurbished to house the Senior School; a well-designed Junior School; a large hall/gym with stage; an excellent library; designated specialist rooms; networked computers and interactive whiteboards in all learning areas. A 1-to-one netbook program operates for students in Years 3 to 6. The generous grounds include active and passive play areas, a veggie garden and orchard, a large playing field, two adventure playgrounds and netball, basketball, volleyball and tennis courts. The school benefits from the strong partnership between the active parent community and staff. Parental support ranges from classroom activities, fundraising, running social and cultural events to policy and committee work. The school values its positive relationship with the local community. Students patronise local libraries, galleries, sporting facilities and neighbouring schools. Strong links have been forged with Brunswick Secondary College. BSWPS is affiliated with Waratah Special Development School.
Service Standards	The school services the local community in the provision of education for primary age students. Education is a partnership between home and school. A positive, respectful relationship with recognition of parents' intimate knowledge of their child and teachers' professional expertise is essential. The school supports each student to achieve personal bests.

# **Strategic Direction**

	Goals  Goals are aspirational statements.  They define what outcomes the school is striving to achieve. Goals evolve from the school's purpose, values and context and build on the analysis of student outcomes undertaken through the self-evaluation and review processes.	Targets are defined measures of the successful achievement of the school's goals. Targets can take a number of forms and may focus on the outcomes achieved by all students, such as the learning growth all students will be expected to achieve, or on the outcomes of a smaller group of students.	Key Improvement Strategies  Key improvement strategies are the highlevel actions that the school will undertake to achieve its goals and targets. They represent the sequential process of change that will need to occur if the goals and targets are to be realised. Key improvement strategies are broad and are likely to take several years to implement successfully and sustainably. Implementation of the key improvement strategies will be documented in detail through the school's Annual Implementation Planning process.
Achievement  Achievement refers to both the absolute levels of learning attainment and growth in student learning that schools strive to support.  While recognising that literacy and numeracy are essential foundations for students' success, achievement outcomes encompass a broader view of learning, spanning the full range of curriculum domains, as well as students' co-curricular achievements.	To support each student to achieve personal bests across all learning domains, including Literacy and Numeracy	<ul> <li>NAPLAN Maths results will improve to be more closely aligned with high results in reading.</li> <li>NAPLAN writing results will improve to be more closely aligned with high reading results.</li> <li>AusVELS will show growth of at least 1.0 progression point per year in all areas of literacy and numeracy.</li> <li>Greater alignment between teacher literacy judgments (AusVELS) in Literacy &amp; Numeracy and standardized test and NAPLAN data</li> <li>Greater alignment between teacher judgments (AusVELS) in all learning domains.</li> </ul>	Professional development to improve Numeracy teaching and learning with a particular focus on Number.  Professional development to improve Literacy teaching and learning with a particular focus on Writing.  Use of Student Performance Analyser to inform teaching & learning and to record all relevant assessment data.  Build high-level teacher knowledge of common, school-wide teaching practices across all learning domains. Document these practices.  Develop common school wide practices around differentiation.

		Sustainability is incorporated into curriculum across learning domains from Prep to Year 6.	Incorporate ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic teaching and learning activities into the curriculum.
Engagement  Engagement refers to the extent to which students feel connected to and engaged in their learning and with the broader school community.  Engagement spans students' motivation to learn, as well as their active involvement in learning.  Engagement also refers to students engagement as they make critical transitions through school and beyond into further education and work.	To deepen students' engagement, curiosity and motivation.	Achieve scores (All, Year & Gender Cohorts) at or above state and regional means for Student Attitudes to School Survey variables Student Motivation & School Connectedness, Stimulated Learning & Teacher Effectiveness.      Achieve Parent Opinion Survey scores at or above state means for Transitions, Stimulated Learning & Learning Focus.	Formalize and document Prep – Year 6 Student Voice & Leadership Strategy.  Build teaching & learning ICT capacity.  Formalize a robust home/school communication strategy so that parents better understand the school's approach to teaching and learning.
Students' health, safety and wellbeing are essential to learning and development. An inclusive, safe, orderly and stimulating environment for learning is critical to achieving and sustaining students' positive learning experiences.	To develop students' confidence, creativity and resilience.	<ul> <li>Achieve scores (All, Year &amp; Gender Cohorts) at or above state and regional means for Student Attitudes to School Survey variables Class Behaviour, Connectedness to Peers, Student Safety, Learning Confidence and Teacher Empathy.</li> <li>Achieve Parent Opinion Survey score at or above state means in the variable of Approachability.</li> </ul>	Embed Habits of Mind into classroom practice.  Develop processes and programs that support the social and emotional health of our students.

# **Productivity**

Productivity refers to the effective allocation and use of resources, supported by evidence and adapted to the unique contexts of each school.

Successful productivity outcomes exist when a school uses its resources – people, time, space, funding, facilities, community expertise, professional learning, class structures, timetables, individual learning plans and facilities – to the best possible effect and in the best possible combination to support improved student outcomes and achieve its goals and targets.

 To align the allocation of resources (human, financial, time, space and materials) to maximize learning, engagement and wellbeing outcomes for students.

- School resources audited annually to ensure effective & equitable allocation across all budget area.
- Staff Performance and Development Plans are closely aligned to the School Strategic Plan 2015-2017 and the relevant Annual Implementation Plans.
- School Staff Survey
   Professional Learning:
   Feedback is at or above All
   Primary Schools' mean, similarly
   its Percent Endorsement
- Achieve Parent Opinion Survey scores at or above state means in the variables of School Improvement & General Satisfaction.
- Sustainable practices are incorporated into the school's operations & infrastructure.

Resources directed to School Strategic Plan priorities.

Professional learning teams meet the goals of the School Strategic Plan and the professional needs of the teachers.

Robust, documented program of feedback for teachers

Complete three ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic modules.

# School Strategic Plan 2014- 2017: Indicative Planner

**Purpose:** the purpose of the indicative planner is to assist the school to prioritise key improvement strategies to support resource allocation and to describe the changes in practice and behavior that might be observable at the school if the key improvement strategies are being implemented as intended.

Key Improvement Strategies		Actions Achieve	ement Milestone
Ney improvement offategies		undertaken in each year to progress the key improvement strategies. There may be more than one action for each strategy. Schools will choose to describe actions with different levels of detail.  success whether been su often ref or behave school's	ment milestones are markers of s. They are useful in demonstrating the strategies and actions have accessful. Achievement milestones flect observable changes in practice viour. To simplify and focus the smonitoring of progress, only a number of achievement milestones pe set.
Professional development to improve Numeracy teaching and learning with a particular focus on Number.  Professional development to improve Literacy teaching and learning with a particular focus on Writing.  Use of Student Performance Analyser to inform teaching & learning and to record all relevant assessment data.  Build high-level teacher knowledge of common, schoolwide teaching practices across all learning domains.	Year 1	focus of whole school and team professional learning with an emphasis establishing common school wide practices, including differentiation  Numeracy Coach will support teaching and learning in classrooms and through the professional learning program.  Regular professional learning in use of Student Performance Analyser (SPA).  Program of observation & feedback around common school wide instructional	entation of school wide practices in acy & Writing Year 1.  ed in Teaching & Professional Learning practice.  hers participate in the action/feedback program.
Develop common school wide practices around differentiation.  Incorporate ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic teaching and learning activities into the curriculum.	Year 2		entation of school wide practices in acy & Writing Year 2.

		<ul> <li>Teachers using Student Performance Analyser (SPA) to determine students' Zones of Proximal Development (ZPD).</li> <li>Build on program of observation &amp; feedback around common school wide instructional practices.</li> </ul>	Teaching and learning is differentiated to better cater for individual ZPD.  Teachers' performance and development plans target feedback.
	Year 3	<ul> <li>Review &amp; modify practices from Years 1 &amp; 2.</li> </ul>	Achievements will be linked to progress & reflection on Years 1 & 2.
Engagement  Formalize and document Prep – Year 6 Student Voice & Leadership Strategy.	Year 1	<ul> <li>Audit &amp; expand current opportunities for Prep to Year 6 students to initiate projects, actions and connect to the world.</li> </ul>	Student-initiated projects and actions documented.  Use of Polycom beyond Italian classes and for teacher professional learning.
Build teaching & learning ICT capacity.  Formalize a robust home/school communication strategy so that parents better understand the school's approach to teaching and learning.		<ul> <li>Audit and improve teachers' ICT skills through differentiated professional learning.</li> </ul>	Class & specialist teachers will each have a Digital Learning Journal. Students in Years 3 to 6 will have a personal Digital Learning Journal
		<ul> <li>Audit the reach of current school communication practices and involve parents in developing improvements</li> </ul>	Audit of current communication practices completed and initial improvement strategies implemented.
	Year 2	<ul> <li>Continue to expand opportunities for Prep to Year 6 students to initiate projects, actions and connect to the world.</li> </ul>	Prep to Year 6 Student Voice & Leadership Strategy documented
		<ul> <li>Audit of teachers' ICT skills updated and continue professional learning.</li> </ul>	Wider use of Polycom throughout the curriculum and for teacher professional learning.
		<ul> <li>Build on communication strategies implemented in Year 1.</li> </ul>	Home/school communication strategy completed to draft.
	Year 3	<ul> <li>Review &amp; modify practices from Years 1 &amp; 2.</li> </ul>	Review & modify practices from Years 1 & 2.
	Year 1	<ul> <li>Regular Habits of Mind professional learning.</li> </ul>	Habits of Mind visible in the teaching and learning program.

Wellbeing  Embed Habits of Mind into classroom practice.		<ul> <li>Investigate social and emotional health programs and select one most fit for purpose.</li> </ul>	Implementation of first unit of selected program.
Develop processes and programs that support the social and emotional health of our students.		<ul> <li>Key Group Engagement &amp; Wellbeing trained in selected program.</li> <li>Develop internal professional learning</li> </ul>	
		program for teachers.	
	Year 2	Consolidate teachers' knowledge of Habits of Mind.	Habits of Mind embedded in the teaching & learning program.
		Continue the implementation of selected social & emotional health program.	Implementation of further unit/s of selected program.
	Year 3	Review & modify practices from Years 1 & 2.	Review & modify practices from Years 1 & 2.
Productivity	Year 1	<ul> <li>Staff is supported to participate in the new DEECD Performance &amp; Development Program.</li> </ul>	All staff completes the DEECD Performance & Development cycle.
Resources directed to School Strategic Plan priorities.		Development Flogram.	
Professional learning teams meet the goals of the School Strategic Plan and the professional needs of the		Build capacity of professional learning teams.	Establish the protocols of professional learning teams.
teachers.  Robust, documented program of feedback for teachers		Undertake Core Module of ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic	Completion of Core Module of ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic
Complete three ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic modules.		Build teacher capacity through classroom observation and feedback program.	Establish clear protocols & a range of methods for giving & receiving feedback
	Year 2	Continue to build the capacity of professional learning teams	Embed the protocols of professional learning teams.
		Continue to build teacher capacity through classroom observation and feedback program.	Embed clear protocols & a range of methods for giving & receiving feedback
		Undertake second module of ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic	Completion of second module of ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic

	Year 3	<ul> <li>Review &amp; modify practices from Years 1 &amp; 2.</li> <li>Undertake third module of ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic</li> </ul>	Review & modify practices from Years 1 & 2. Completion of third module of ResourceSmart AuSSI Vic
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