Aspley High School

School of Choice for our local community

Explicit Improvement Agenda 2021 – 2023

One year of progress for one year of engagement

Reading Writing and Thinking in content areas Feedback

Learning and Memory Routines

2021 Targets

Be a school of choice for our local community
One year progress for one year engagement
Increase the number of A's and B's in each learning area
Close to nation and like schools in national measures
Improve academic writing, reading and thinking in all content areas
Achieve 85% pass rates in 7-10 English, Mathematics and Science
90% Attendance

Maximise student ATAR and student pathway outcomes

How we are going to achieve these Targets?

Ready to learn, ready to work

- Organised, punctual and disciplined environment
- Wearing the school uniform with pride
- Demonstrate and practice Civility to create a relaxed and alert learning environment
- Demonstrate responsible digital citizenship

Visibly learning and teaching

- Use Art and Science of Teaching as our common language of instruction
- Strengthening the Core and Stretching the ALL
- Learning intentions, success criteria and feedback WALT, WILF, TIB; Exemplars
- Explicit routines for
 - o Feedback and formative assessment
 - Target setting
 - Learning and Memory strategies
 - o Teaching reading, writing, thinking in content areas
- Teachers see learning through the eyes of students and students see themselves as their own teachers

Know what we have to do to improve

- Implement our developing performance framework using teacher learning as the focus of our improvement we want to cause learning
- Know what one year of progress looks like
- Target setting and data analysis
- Feedback and Monitoring, formative assessment (teacher to student; student to teacher; school to home; home to school; line management and Developing Performance processes)

With a growth Mindset

- Use the common language of growth mindset
- Expect every learner in our school community to improve

Our Learning Focus



Let's be clear, we

- are ready to learn, ready to work
- are visibly learning and teaching
- know what we have to do to improve.

With a growth mindset



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Annual Implementation Plan 2021 Enacting our 2021-2024 Strategic Plan

School Context

Aspley High School is a comprehensive co-educational High School offering years 7-12 to approximately 1080 students. Our students are drawn from a range of suburbs in north Brisbane. Our students come from the full range of backgrounds – socio-economic, ethnic and familial. Student identified groups include gifted, indigenous and students with disabilities. Our parents and families are supportive of our school values and work with their children to uphold the values and beliefs of our school.

Our school values are Respect, Responsibility and Co-operation. These underpin all our work together. We believe:

- that it is the right of every student to have access to high quality learning and teaching in a disciplined environment
- in the responsibility of every student and teacher to strive to be the best they can be
- in a disciplined school learning environment where students wear the school uniform with pride

Priorities for 2021

Explicit Improvement Agenda (2021-2023)

Focus	Actions
Reading in content area	Explicit teaching, monitoring and feedback routines including
Writing in content area	SCORE, ASPIRE, CAT, TEEL, TAG, content area problem solving
Thinking and problem solving	and thinking routines.
in content area	
Formative assessment in	Routines to measure what progress is being made and what
content area	learning is being caused in classrooms.
Feedback routines from	Content area formative feedback routines
teacher to student	Student perception of teaching surveys
Feedback routines from	Student wellbeing surveys
student to teacher	Reporting on PC and Reading cycles
Student perceptions on	
teaching feedback	
Learning and memory routines	In content areas and Pastoral care explicitly teach:
	- Spaced and retrieval practice
	- Note taking
	 Use of graphic organisers
	 Best practice revision and study techniques

Core Priority – Reading

I4S: Strengthening the Core, Stretching the ALL		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Teachers use ASPIRE to demonstrate reading approaches	HODs and teachers	
Teachers use vocabulary routines to improve academic vocabulary	HODs and teachers	
Teachers explicitly teach SCORE and QAR and model ASPIRE	All teachers	
Teachers use feedback from students to determine impact of teaching	All teachers	
I4S: Data Cycles and intervention year 7-9		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Reading cycles in English, Social Science and Science	HODs and teachers	
Model practice and team teaching in subject areas	HODS and teachers	
Collaboration on data and interventions	HODS and teachers	
14S: Common Language across the curriculum		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
QAR,SCORE	All staff	
ASPIRE, vocabulary routines, WALT, WILF, TIB, feedback routines	Teachers	
14S: Effective use of teacher aides		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Teacher aide running records	HOD Maths; All HODs and	
Allocation of teacher aides based on need	teachers	

Core Priority: Writing

Strategy: Use explicit teaching strategies to improve academic writing		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Consistent use of academic writing placemat and explicit teaching	HODs	
Consistent use of explicit writing strategies in each classroom	All teachers ,HODs	
Academic genres and vocabulary explicitly taught in faculties	All teachers	
Teachers participate in content area writing instruction PD	All teachers	
Benchmark student writing achievement through 7-10 using external	HOD	
testing and on-line methodology		
Explicit teaching of writing Australian curriculum and SATE	All Heads of Department	

Core Priority: High Quality Teaching Practice

Strategy: Enhance the professional learning and collaborative culture of ou	ır school
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Allocate time for staff observation and feedback with colleagues	HODS and ADMIN
Continue learning in the ASOT	HODS and ADMIN
Continue the line management structure to maintain focus on effective	HODS and ADMIN
teaching and learning	
Induct and support new staff in our instructional practice	HODs
Engage coaching support for new and beginning teachers	
Strategy: Engage in collaborative and cooperative teaching practices	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Use coaching and mentoring programs for staff	HODs
Coach and develop HAT/LT contenders to support career progression	HOY 9/10
Continue to engage in productive professional learning through action	HODs and Admin
learning and learning sprints	
Use the strategies in the Aspley Active Learners support book	All teachers

Core Priority: Numeracy and Mathematics

14S Strategy: Strengthening the Core	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Use explicit teaching lesson plan for new content	HOD and teachers
Use numeracy warm ups to practise and deepen knowledge	
I4S: Stretching the ALL	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Teaching instruction to extend the U3B	HOD Maths and teachers
I4S: Data monitoring and Interventions – year 7-9	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Use data to collaborate on adjustments to teaching	HOD
Use data to collaborate on appropriate interventions and remediation	All mathematics teachers
Regular exam cycles to monitor student progress	
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Core Priority: Science

I4S: Strengthening the Core			
Actions	Res	sponsible Officer/s	
Use explicit teaching lesson plan for new content	All s	All science teachers	
Use vocabulary warm ups to improve academic vocab			
I4S: Stretching the ALL			
Actions	Res	sponsible Officer/s	
Teaching instruction to extend the U3B reading	All :	All Science teachers	
Differentiate classes to extend as appropriate			
I4S: Data Cycles and Interventions 7-9			
Actions	Responsible Officer/s		
Use data to collaborate on adjustments to teaching	All ·	All teachers of Science	
14S: Increasing pass rates in year 7-10 Science			
Actions	Res	sponsible Officer/s	
Use primacy/recency strategies for new content All S		Science teachers	
Use vocabulary routines to improve academic vocabulary			
Strategy: Content area specific teaching of demands of academic v	vriting		
Actions		Responsible Officer/s	
Teaching the academic writing demands of the curriculum		Teachers	
Monitor students' literacy progress and target teaching using data cy	/cles		
Use teacher learning to cause learning in academic writing (e-	write		
teams)			

Core Priority: English

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I4S: Strengthening the Core – 7-10		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Use explicit teaching lesson plan for new content	All core English teachers	
Use vocabulary warm ups to improve academic vocab		
I4S: Stretching the ALL		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Teaching instruction to extend the U3B reading	All extension English teachers	
Differentiate classes to extend U3B writing		
Create extension opportunities for the U3B	Head of Department	
Plan for Literature and English Extension into the senior school from 2022	Head of Department	
I4S: Data Cycles and Interventions – year 7-9		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Use data to collaborate on adjustments to teaching	English teachers	
Use data to collaborate on appropriate interventions and remediation		
14S: Increasing pass rates in year 9 and 10 English		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Use primacy/recency strategies for new content	All English teachers	
Use vocabulary routines to improve academic vocabulary		
Use feedback from student to check impact of teaching	All English teachers	
Strategy: Content area specific teaching of demands of academic w	riting	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Teaching the academic writing demands of the curriculum	HOD and teachers	
Monitor students' literacy progress and target teaching using data	1	
cycles		
Use teacher learning to cause learning in academic writing (e-write teams)		

Core Priority: Differentiation

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Strategy: Provide learning support in a systematic manner		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Establish timetable to meet learning needs of at risk students	HOD Maths and LS teacher	
Support foundation classes in English and Maths 7 - 10	HODs	
Use teacher aide support in foundation and core in English and Maths	HODS	
Support teachers in differentiation strategies in classrooms	HODS	
Strategy: Continue to develop our skills in adjusting programs to cater for the range		
Use dashboard and student profile data effectively	Teachers and HODs	
Increase interface between SEP, EALD and staff	HODs HOSES and teachers	
Strategy: Succession planning for expertise required to support programs of differentiation.		
Actions:	HOSES/BM	
Recruit staff with appropriate braille/tactile production skills to maintain	HOSES/BM	
the level of service required for VI coding and for transition to SATE		
Continue to develop coaching and co teaching to increase confidence	HOSES/BM	
in differentiation		

School Priority: JUNIOR SECONDARY

Strategy: Consistent teaching across classrooms		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Implement supervision model to assure consistency of teaching	HODs and teachers	
Build collaboration and coaching in the team	HOD JS and teachers	
Deliver the consistent lesson structure for junior secondary classes	HOD JS and HODS	
Strategy: Working with local primary schools to create learning partnerships		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Enhance Arts Excellence Day	ARTS HOD	
Continue and extend Science partnerships with local primary schools	HOD SCI	
Continue the Aspley Eagles Soccer development links across primary	HOD HPE/KNOXNA	
schools		
Connect with our local schools around our specialist programs	JS HOD	
Strategy: Stretching the ALL – U3B		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Continue the delivery of FIRE UP programs across junior secondary	JS HOD	
Engage faculties in delivery of G & T events in content areas	HODs	

Core Priority: Stretching the ALL across the school

Strategy: Recognise and encourage academic achievement and engagement		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Continue the Academic Achievers program including excursions and	HOD MATHS	
assembly recognition		
Continue the implementation of the Learning Cup	HOD MATHS	
Strategy: Strengthen programs of entry		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Consolidate the school entry programs – SPAR-c, TIPs and vocal entry	JS HOD/JS DP/ARTS HOD	
Strengthen the strings and vocal across our school	ARTS HOD	

Core Priority: Attainment

Strategy: Increase the expectancy for achievement for all students		
Actions		Responsible Officer/s
Target setting and monitoring targets		ALL teachers and students
Strategy: Maximise ATAR outcomes for year 12 external exams		
Actions Responsible Officer/s		fficer/s
Teaching practice – explicitly teach Cognitive Verbs and	Heads of Depo	artment; QCE teachers
communication of analysis in content areas		
External exam preparation appropriate to content area		
Learning and memory routines All te		
Strategy: Improve year 10 Levels of Achievements in Core		
Actions Responsible Officer/s		fficer/s
Teaching practice – Strengthen the Core Mathematics, English and Science H		English and Science HODs
Year 10 work experience and engagement programs	HOY and teachers	
Strategy: Improve pass rate in all subjects		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Teaching practice – Strengthen the Core	All teachers	
Strategy: Engage students and families in managing pathways and meeting goals		
Actions	Responsible O	fficer/s
Interviews for at risk QCE and VET	SS HOD/HOY/SS DP	
Interviews for ATAR TRACKING SS HOD/HOY/SS DP		S DP

Monitor progress in new QCE	SS HOD/HOY/SS DP

Core priority: Attendance

Strategy: Monitor and intervene in Junior Secondary (7-9)	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Monitor student attendance	All teachers
Intervene with at risk students	DP; HOY
Strategy: Monitor and intervene in Senior Secondary (10-12)	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Monitor student attendance	All teachers
Intervene with at risk students	HOY and MILLDA
Set clear expectations of 90% attendance to engage in year 11/12	DP and HOY
milestones	
Extend the school year to include weeks 9 and 10 TERM 4 for at risk	DP and PRINCIPAL
students	

Core Priority: Closing the Gap in attendance and outcomes of indigenous and non-indigenous students

Strategy: Mentoring and monitoring of indigenous students	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Academic and wellbeing monitoring	Heads of Year
Engaging R/CEC in supporting at risk students	Support Team
Supervise the scholarships programs across our school	DP and HOYs

Core Priority: Systematic moderation of school based assessment 7-10 to ensure consistency and reliability of assessment

Strategy: Faculty has robust and effective moderation procedures	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Each faculty has documented moderation and calibration processes	HODS/DP's
Collaborative and collective moderation processes are included in faculty	HODs/DP's
meetings and learning communities	
Teachers are committed to improving their knowledge of quality	HODs/DPs
assessment and standards through moderation procedures	

Core Priority: School Culture

Strategy: Creating a sense of belonging and safety through wearing the school uniform to a high standard	
Actions:	Teachers, HOYs and leadership team
Confirm the current dress code with families through P and C and	Principal, P and C and School Council
parent engagement	
Increase vigilance and supervision of uniform standards to and	Principal and DP's
from school as appropriate.	
Enforce the Occupational Workplace Health and Safety	Teachers, Heads of Department, HOYs
expectations of the dress code including hats, shoes, hair and	and leadership team
shirts.	
Provide alternative curriculum materials until the breach has been	

resolved.		
Raise standards and expectations through positive reinforcement	Heads	of Year and leadership team
of uniform compliance including recognition for outstanding		
presentation and uniform compliance. Investigate an engaging		
"reward" system that is age appropriate.		
Provide students with uniform items or adjustments as required to	Heads	of Year, Support staff and
support their sense of belonging and safety	leadership team	
Establish protocols and procedures (in the student code of	Student code of conduct writing team	
conduct review) for uniform and dress code breaches that uphold		
high standards and expectations and reflect the community		
expectation that Aspley students wear the school uniform with		
pride.		
Strategy: Engage new students and staff in the culture of improver	nent and	d high expectations
Actions		Responsible Officer/s
Engage and induct new students in the language of improvement		DP/HOY/GO/TEACHERS
Establish new routines for induction and enrolment process for	or new	HOYS
students		
Engage new staff in the language of improvement		HODS/DP/PRINCIPAL
Continue to develop new staff understanding of language	ge of	HODS Leadership
improvement through professional learning		
Strategy: To continue to develop the positive behaviour culture of	our sch	ool
Continue to enhance the co and extra curricula programs to sup	port a	HOYs
positive school culture		
Continue the programs of support including Chaplaincy, Youth St	upport	Principal
Coordinator, Community Education Counsellor and Events support	t	
Continue to develop teams of students to mentor and support st		HOY, HOSES, HODs
with particular needs e.g. multicultural, disability, learning need	ds, Big	
Brothers and Sisters		

School Priority: Become a school of choice for our local community

Strategy: Develop quality communication and marketing strategies for our local community	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Engage support for the continued engagement in local festivals and	Principal Events Manager Arts
events.	teachers
Connect to and engage with past students to build community and	Principal P and C Events
mentoring for current students	manager
Strategy: Increase parent participation in our school	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Junior Secondary parent interface (morning tea/tours)	DP
Parent Tours, Twilight Tours, Family Sunday and Master Classes	PRINCIPAL DP JS HOY/HOD
Continue Parent Ambassador program	PRINCIPAL
Establish parent groups to provide feedback on programs and signature	PRINCIPAL, P and C and
programs as required	School Council
Strategy: Enhance and document our specialist programs and offerings	
Develop and streamline the PDP program	HOY
Document our extension and enrichment programs – FIRE UP, ALL	JS DP/JS HOD/HODS
Introduce GAP and A+ program	HOD HPE and teachers

School Priority: Technology

Strategy: Extend BYOx to engage more users	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Progress BYOx program to all year 10, 11 and 12 students	BM/TECH/DP SS
Lead the pedagogical integration of ICT's through curriculum	HODS and teachers
Further utilise e-learning capacity for junior secondary	DP/JS HOD
Further the e-learning and technology learning for all subjects	HODS
Deliver and review TIPS and SPAR-c across JS	JS HOD/BM/TECH
Review the replacement schedule for computer rooms	BM/TECH/HODs/PRINCIPAL
Support BYOX 10-12	HODs and teachers
Introduce Digital Technologies into year 7	JS HOD and ICT teachers

School Priority: Senior Secondary

Strategy: Implement the second year of New QCE	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Plan, prepare and deliver exam block program to support maximum	HOY, HOD, SP SS
academic achievement, wellbeing and celebration	
Engage in learning QCAA and clusters	HODs and teachers
Engage in collaborative practices to reflect on the required changes in	HODS and teachers
curriculum in year 7-10 to improve the transition into the senior phase	
Strategy: Build student, parent and teacher capacity in ATAR assessment of	competence and confidence
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Utilise e-learning platforms to consolidate new content learning, submit	HODs and teachers
assessment and to give feedback on learning	
Support the new teachers in new subjects	HODs
Engage e-learning platforms to support new content	Teachers
Explicitly teach the six strategies of good learning to all students	HOY/ teachers
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School Priority: Managing QCE

Strategy: Operationalise plans for managing increased cohort sizes in senior secondary	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Plan for increased load with larger cohorts and subjects	DP and SS HOD
Monitor work load and timelines through regular staff communication	HOD Senior Schooling/HODs
Prepare the end of year program to support learning and wellbeing	HOY/DP

School Priority: Growing the International Student Program

Strategy:	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Continue the engagement of the ISP and Homestay Coordinator position	BM/PRINCIPAL
Introduce study tours to school offerings	ISP/HOMESTAY BM

School Priority: Alignment of policies and procedures

Task: Update policies and procedures	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s
Consult with stakeholders to write new code of conduct	DPs, HOY and HODs GO
Document phone and referral procedures	HOYs GO
Write and implement complaints management procedure as per policy	Principal

School Priority: Planning and managing growth of our school

Strategy: Develop effective and efficient referral processes for support team		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Establish review processes for communication between support staff and		
Teaching staff		
Strategy: Plan for the changing workforce including additional leadership	oositions on our school	
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Engage in consultation around additional roles for the school in 2021/22	PRINCIPAL/LCC	
Strategy: Review the Curriculum plan		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Continue to review and add to the curriculum plan as patterns for ATAR	LEADERSHIP TEAM	
and enrolment growth come into play		
Strategy: Plan relocation of services		
Actions	Responsible Officer/s	
Plan the location of print, resource, senior schooling study and supervision	LEADERSHIP TEAM	
spaces		

School Priority: Facilities and grounds

Strategy: Manage the building program for Renewing our Schools program	
Actions	Responsible Officer
Manage the building program	BM and Principal
Communicate with our community on developments in ROS	ВМ
Strategy: Plan the reallocation of classrooms as ROS finishes	
Plan the reallocation of classrooms	BM and HODs
Plan the development of student support hub including Senior schooling	BM and HODs
Investigate and plan the refurbishment of staffrooms	BM and HODs
Strategy: Improve the management of facilities and grounds across the school	
Investigate alternative starting times for schools officers to maximize duty	BM
time to match high demands in term 1 and 4	
Increase the seating areas for students	BM

Review areas for 2021

- Delivery of specialized student support (EALD, Learning Support)
- School bell times, start and finishing times.