

Haden State School

Queensland State School Reporting

2015 School Annual Report



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Principal's foreword

Introduction

Haden State School 2015 School Annual Report outlines pertinent information for your perusal regarding school culture, climate and performance. It offers a 'snapshot' of the 2015 school year.

School progress towards its goals in 2015

The key priorities for 2015 included **development of instructional leadership** with a focus on workforce performance; **development of productive partnerships** with students, staff, parents and the community; and **improvement of school performance**. Naplan results for 2015 demonstrated gains in School Performance, with four Haden State School students scoring in the Upper 2 Bands in at least one of the tests. Partnerships continue to strengthen within the Haden School Community and instructional leadership continues to evolve with the imbedding of Explicit Instruction across the school; and leading the implementation of processes to improve writing and spelling.

Future outlook

Haden State School's focus for 2016 is to improve the teaching and learning of writing through the continued roll out of explicit instruction of writing strategies across the school. All teaching staff will access professional development in the area of writing. Regular internal moderation will measure progress of this initiative, as will future Naplan Writing tasks and regional moderation. The focus on writing will also positively influence improvement of Reading and improvement of Spelling, becoming a three pronged improvement strategy.

Our school at a glance

School Profile

Coeducational or single sex: Coeducational

Independent Public School: No

Year levels offered in 2015: Prep Year - Year 6

Student enrolments for this school:

	Total	Girls	Boys	Indigenous	Enrolment Continuity (Feb – Nov)
2013	18	8	10		100%
2014	12	6	6		67%
2015	24	7	17	1	90%

Student counts are based on the Census (August) enrolment collection.

*From 2015, data for all state high schools include Year 7 students. Prior to 2015, only state high schools offering Year 7 had these students included in their counts.

In 2015, there were no students enrolled in a Pre-Prep program.*

*Pre-Prep is a kindergarten program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, living across 35 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, in the year before school (<http://deta.qld.gov.au/earlychildhood/families/pre-prep-indigenous.html>).

Characteristics of the student body:

Haden State School students come from a mixed socio-economic and predominantly rural background with a small fraction from rural-urban families. A large proportion of students are second or third generation at the school and there is a growing number of new families entering the district. Enrolments have now increased over the last two years, with a steady trend beginning to be observed.

Average class sizes

Phase	Average Class Size		
	2013	2014	2015
Prep – Year 3	16	14	13
Year 4 – Year 7 Primary			
Year 7 Secondary – Year 10			
Year 11 – Year 12			

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School Disciplinary Absences

Disciplinary Absences	Count of Incidents		
	2013	2014*	2015**
Short Suspensions - 1 to 5 days	0	0	11
Long Suspensions - 6 to 20 days	0	0	0

Exclusions	0	0	0
Cancellations of Enrolment	0	0	0

* Caution should be used when comparing post 2013 SDA data as amendments to EGPA disciplinary provisions and changes in methodology created time series breaks in 2014 and 2015.

**From 2015, Exclusion represents principal decisions to exclude rather than recommendations for exclusion. From 2015 where a principal decided not to exclude, a small number of recommendations for exclusions have been counted as a long suspension. Exclusions, Cancellations and Long & Charge Suspensions may be upheld or set aside through an appeals process.

Curriculum delivery

Our approach to curriculum delivery

Students at Haden are very privileged to be able to work in a highly supportive environment with an unrivalled support staff ratio considering the number of students at the school. The small cohort is supported by at least two staff members in the class for the majority of lessons. Students with special needs are well catered for by a team approach including the learning support teacher, classroom teachers and the Advisory Visiting Teachers. Consequently, the school is strategically resourced to provide the additional support where required.

Haden State School Playgroup operates free of charge at Haden State School on Wednesday mornings from 9am -11am. Children and their parents come together to enjoy activities, play and conversation.

Extra curricula activities

Haden State School offers:

ANZAC Parades at Goombungee for Goombungee/Haden ANZAC Day Ceremony.

Annual Athletics Days held with Goombungee State School at Goombungee State School in Term 2.

Excursions connected to Key Learning Areas and curriculum programs.

Swimming 'camps' of swimming instruction over four consecutive days for maximum outcomes for students.

Showcase Days at the end of Music and Drama units.

Transition Programs - Year 6 students participate in visits to Oakey High School and Highfields College, as part of a Transition Program. Prep-Preps are invited to join in classroom activities after attending Playgroup on Wednesdays in Term 4.

Camps - Every other year, Whole School Camps are offered to all students from P-6. In 2016 the Whole School Camp will be held at Currumbin Farm School in June.

Art entries in the Goombungee/Haden and Crow's Nest Shows.

Community participation: 'Yarn bombing' trees at Haden State School and in Crow's Nest Day, for Goombungee's Jacarandah Festival.

How Information and Communication Technologies are used to improve learning

All year levels use computers on a daily basis. High level usage is enabled by a student to computer ratio just less than 1:1. Computers and ICT are integrated into all key learning areas across the school and are viewed as being one more vital tool to enhance and support learning.

Students have access to iPads, Android devices, digital cameras, interactive whiteboards, scanning and printing equipment.

Internet and email facilities are available to all students. All students have their own username and password for the internet and email, and their own folders to store published work on the school network.

Teachers have been provided with a laptop (C4T) for use in planning, preparation, record keeping and reporting.

All technical issues are directed to the IMS service centre when problems arise.

Social Climate

Effective and timely communication between staff, parents and students is the cornerstone of positive relationships within the school. Our school operates on an accountable and transparent policy which encourages, invites and welcomes parents to discuss their child's progress openly and honestly.

Parent, student and staff satisfaction with the school

Performance measure	2013	2014	2015
Percentage of parent/caregivers who agree [#] that:			
their child is getting a good education at school (S2016)	100%	100%	
this is a good school (S2035)	100%	100%	
their child likes being at this school (S2001)	100%	100%	
their child feels safe at this school (S2002)	100%	100%	
their child's learning needs are being met at this school (S2003)	100%	100%	
their child is making good progress at this school (S2004)	100%	100%	
teachers at this school expect their child to do his or her best (S2005)	100%	100%	
teachers at this school provide their child with useful feedback about his or her school work (S2006)	100%	100%	
teachers at this school motivate their child to learn (S2007)	100%	100%	
teachers at this school treat students fairly (S2008)	100%	100%	
they can talk to their child's teachers about their concerns (S2009)	100%	100%	
this school works with them to support their child's learning (S2010)	100%	100%	
this school takes parents' opinions seriously (S2011)	100%	100%	
student behaviour is well managed at this school (S2012)	100%	100%	
this school looks for ways to improve (S2013)	100%	100%	
this school is well maintained (S2014)	100%	100%	

Performance measure	2013	2014	2015
Percentage of students who agree [#] that:			
they are getting a good education at school (S2048)	100%	100%	86%
they like being at their school (S2036)	100%	88%	100%
they feel safe at their school (S2037)	100%	100%	100%
their teachers motivate them to learn (S2038)	100%	100%	100%
their teachers expect them to do their best (S2039)	100%	100%	100%
their teachers provide them with useful feedback about their school work (S2040)	100%	88%	71%
teachers treat students fairly at their school (S2041)	100%	88%	100%
they can talk to their teachers about their concerns (S2042)	100%	100%	86%
their school takes students' opinions seriously (S2043)	100%	86%	71%
student behaviour is well managed at their school (S2044)	67%	75%	86%
their school looks for ways to improve (S2045)	100%	100%	100%
their school is well maintained (S2046)	100%	86%	100%

Performance measure			
Percentage of students who agree [#] that:	2013	2014	2015
their school gives them opportunities to do interesting things (S2047)	100%	75%	71%

Performance measure			
Percentage of school staff who agree [#] that:	2013	2014	2015
they enjoy working at their school (S2069)	100%	100%	100%
they feel that their school is a safe place in which to work (S2070)	100%	100%	100%
they receive useful feedback about their work at their school (S2071)	100%	80%	100%
they feel confident embedding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives across the learning areas (S2114)	100%	100%	100%
students are encouraged to do their best at their school (S2072)	100%	100%	100%
students are treated fairly at their school (S2073)	83%	100%	100%
student behaviour is well managed at their school (S2074)	100%	80%	86%
staff are well supported at their school (S2075)	100%	60%	100%
their school takes staff opinions seriously (S2076)	100%	80%	100%
their school looks for ways to improve (S2077)	100%	100%	100%
their school is well maintained (S2078)	100%	100%	100%
their school gives them opportunities to do interesting things (S2079)	86%	100%	100%

'Agree' represents the percentage of respondents who Somewhat Agree, Agree or Strongly Agree with the statement.
DW = Data withheld to ensure confidentiality.

Parent and Community Engagement

At Haden State School we value parental involvement in their child's education. The following strategies are employed in order to keep that involvement alive:

Informal conversation every afternoon at the front of the school after dismissing students at the end of day.

Phone calls to inform parents of positive and/or negative events in their child's education.

Items in the newsletter recognising students of the week, student achievement in academic, artistic and sporting challenges.

Invitations issued for parents to join classes on excursions, to help as volunteers in the classroom or to attend special events, ie., drama presentations and sports days.

Letters and certificates sent home to parents in recognition of student achievement or involvement in school based activities.

Letters sent home requesting parental support for students making inappropriate choices.

Parent involvement through P&C meetings and fund raising activities.

Formal requests for interviews along with informal conversations before and after school.

Reducing the school's environmental footprint

The ongoing expenditure on energy efficient facilities projects had seen Haden State School convert all of its lighting to efficient energy saving devices and install a number of skylights in key strategic areas of the school, reducing the need to utilise lights on sunny days. We encourage responsible behaviours including turning off electrical equipment during non-use periods.

Years	Environmental footprint indicators	
	Electricity kWh	Water kL
2012-2013	9,656	0
2013-2014	11,894	1
2014-2015	11,365	

*The consumption data is compiled from sources including ERM, Ergon reports and utilities data entered into OneSchool by each school. The data provides an indication of the consumption trend in each of the utility categories which impact on the school's environmental footprint.

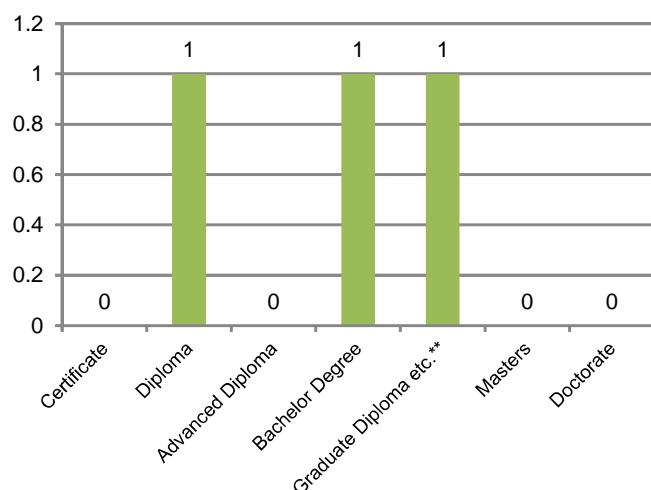
Our staff profile

Staff composition, including Indigenous staff

2015 Workforce Composition	Teaching Staff*	Non-teaching Staff	Indigenous Staff
Headcounts	4	5	0
Full-time equivalents	2	2	0

Qualification of all teachers

Highest level of attainment	Number of Teaching Staff *
Certificate	0
Diploma	1
Advanced Diploma	0
Bachelor Degree	1
Graduate Diploma etc.**	1
Masters	0
Doctorate	0
Total	3



*Teaching staff includes School Leaders

**Graduate Diploma etc. includes Graduate Diploma, Bachelor Honours Degree, and Graduate Certificate.

Expenditure on and teacher participation in professional development

The total funds expended on teacher professional development in 2015 were \$3 763.

The major professional development initiatives were as follows:

- Words Their Way Spelling Programme accessed by whole staff (Classroom Teacher Workshop and Administrator Workshop)
- 7 Steps to Writing Success
- Numeracy, Fractions and Decimals Queensland Curriculum
- Anita Archer Trainer Workshop Good to Great
- Business Meetings
- Principals' Conference
- First Aid Course
- Discovering Disability and Diversity
- Athletics

The proportion of the teaching staff involved in professional development activities during 2015 was 100%.

Average staff attendance	2013	2014	2015
Staff attendance for permanent and temporary staff and school leaders.	99%	96%	97%

Proportion of staff retained from the previous school year

From the end of the previous school year, 100% of staff was retained by the school for the entire 2015 school year.

School income broken down by funding source

School income broken down by funding source is available via the *My School* website at <http://www.myschool.edu.au/>.

To access our income details, click on the *My School* link above. You will then be taken to the *My School* website with the following 'Find a school' text box.

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School financial information is available by selecting '**School finances**' in the menu box in the top left corner of the school's profile webpage. If you are unable to access the internet, please contact the school for a paper copy of income by funding source.

Performance of our students

Key student outcomes

Student attendance	2013	2014	2015
The overall attendance rate for the students at this school (shown as a percentage).	94%	94%	93%
The attendance rate for Indigenous students at this school (shown as a percentage).			DW

The student attendance rate is generated by dividing the total of full-days and part-days that students attended, and comparing this to the total of all possible days for students to attend, expressed as a percentage.

The overall attendance rate in 2015 for all Queensland Primary schools was 93%.

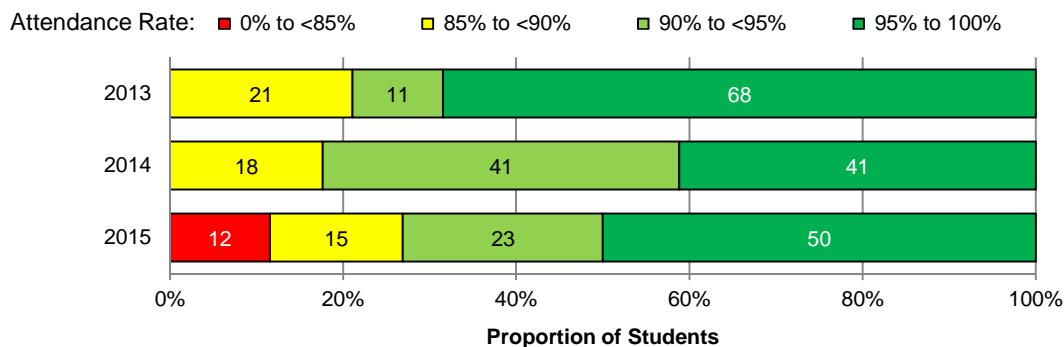
Student attendance rate for each year level (shown as a percentage)													
	Prep	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
2013	95%	96%	DW	93%		98%	89%	94%					
2014	96%	94%	DW	DW	94%	96%	91%	DW					
2015	84%	94%	97%	92%	99%	96%	DW						

*From 2013, the methodology used for calculating attendance rates effectively counts attendance for every student for every day of attendance in Semester 1. The student attendance rate is generated by dividing the total of full-days and part-days that students attended, and comparing this to the total of all possible days for students to attend, expressed as a percentage.

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Student attendance distribution

The proportions of students by attendance range.



Description of how non-attendance is managed by the school

Non-attendance is managed in state schools in line with the DET procedures, *Managing Student Absences and Enforcing Enrolment and Attendance at State Schools* and *Roll Marking in State Schools*, which outline processes for managing and recording student attendance and absenteeism.

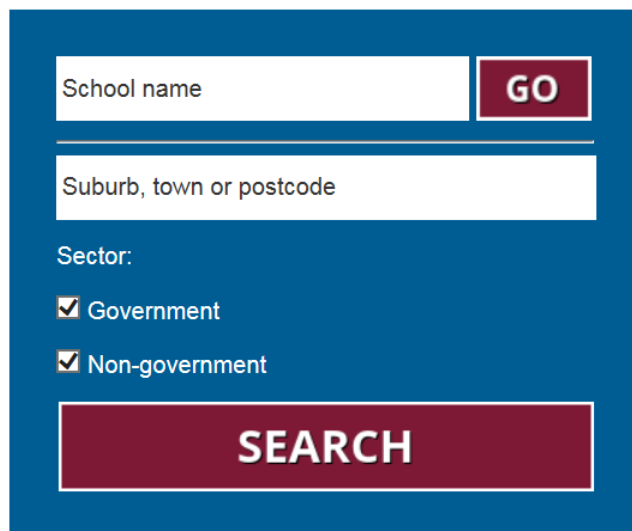
Parents are called on the first day of unexpected absence to inform them of their child's absence, to give parents the opportunity to explain and also for the school to offer support to assist student attendance. Attendance Data is monitored weekly, announced to students, included in the school newsletter and prominently displayed around the school. Students are regularly rewarded for excellent attendance on parade and any student achieving 100% attendance over the entire year is given recognition and is rewarded.

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) results – our reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy results for the Years 3, 5, 7, and 9.

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- A text input field labeled "Suburb, town or postcode".
- A "Sector:" label followed by two checked checkboxes: "Government" and "Non-government".
- A large red button labeled "SEARCH" at the bottom.

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