

# McDowall State School

## School review conducted 15 to 18 June 2021

Every Queensland state school is reviewed by the Department of Education at least once every four years. School reviews provide important feedback to support schools in continuing to deliver quality education and improve learning outcomes for students.



### Review highlights

- ✓ Courtesy, honesty and knowledge pervades the culture of the school.
- ✓ Students are proud of their school and set high expectations for themselves.
- ✓ Teacher professionalism is highly valued and promoted by school leaders.
- ✓ The Instrumental Music Immersion Program of Excellence is valued, respected and appreciated.



### Consultation



**Total of 333 interviews**



**9 community members and stakeholders**



**100 school staff**



**152 students**



**72 parents and carers**

**Each school review generates a number of key improvement strategies to inform continuous improvement in all state schools. The next steps are...**

- ➔ Ensure a collaborative approach is taken in setting the strategic direction of the school that values traditions, explores new opportunities to improve and meets the aspirations of staff and community members.
- ➔ Collaboratively review and refine the explicit improvement agenda ensuring all staff develop a deep understanding of the key strategies and practices informing school improvement, teaching and learning and aligned targets for student achievement.
- ➔ Deepen all staff understanding of the Australian Curriculum through continuous professional development, time for collaborative planning and the implementation of the four phases of moderation.
- ➔ Build all staff capability by establishing agreed processes to regularly share and strengthen pedagogical practice through watching others work, coaching, mentoring, observation and feedback.
- ➔ Collaboratively develop a whole-school approach to inclusion and inclusive practices, with clear roles, responsibilities and accountabilities for all staff to ensure every student is succeeding.

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