

# Professional learning opportunity

# Improving students' writing achievement

# **Presented by Alison Davis**

When
Monday 18 August 2014
8:45 am sign- in
9am to 3:00 pm
(Morning tea & lunch
provided)

Where
Whitfield State School
Cnr McManus and
Marino Streets, Whitfield
Cairns QLD 4870

Cost \$170 Members \$225 Non-Members \$75 Student Teachers EARLYBIRD RATES – SAVE 5% WHEN YOU REGISTER BY 4/8/14 Easy online registration

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Drawing on Alison Davis' recent publication Effective Writing Instruction: Evidence based classroom practices (2013) this workshop will unpack the skills, strategies and approaches used by "skilled and efficient" writers and demonstrate a variety of ways that these can be explicitly planned and integrated into a needs-based, motivating writing program. The workshop will explore specific teaching practices such as: preparing students to write, explicit skill instruction, developing a range of teaching approaches, including pair and peer writing, editing, revising and evaluating writing, as well as celebrating and responding to their own and others' writing. The workshop will introduce participants to a range of classroom-rich activities which can be implemented in the classroom immediately.

# Australian Curriculum: English course links

- Literacy: Interpreting, analysing, evaluating
- Language: Developing and expressing ideas

#### Accreditation

PETAA provides professional development for the maintenance of accreditation at Professional Competence level. This course meets the **National Professional Standard for Teachers.** It addresses standards 1.5.2, 2.1.2, 2.2.2, 2.3.2, 3.1.2, 3.2.2 at Proficient level and constitutes 5 hours 30 minutes of Continuing Professional Development.

# About the presenter

**Dr Alison Davis** is a leading literacy researcher, writer, speaker and staff trainer in the field of literacy, assessment and schooling improvement. Alison is particularly well known for her research on reading comprehension and has led initiatives focused on accelerating and sustaining improved levels of reading comprehension in students of all levels of ability. She runs a number of large scale professional development projects for teachers and school leaders and has extensive experience working in Asia, Australia, Middle East, New Zealand and the United States. In her professional learning sessions she is well-known for offering practical examples to support teachers with their students.

# What others are saying

- "I could have listened to her all night!"
- "Made me feel empowered to implement what I had learnt."

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