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Numeracy and literacy awards announced during education week celebrations

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Literacy and Numeracy for Lifelong Learning – the theme of education week – was also the focus of the day with the announcement of the Literacy and Numeracy Excellence and Achievement Awards today.

Minister for Employment, Education and Training Syd Stirling presented four awards recognising schools with outstanding literacy and numeracy teaching

practices.

"Literacy and numeracy are the foundation of good schooling and today's awards highlight the great work going on in Territory schools to improve outcomes for all students."

"Taminmin High School was awarded the overall NT Excellence Award for their LEARNERS program (Literacy Education and Relevant Numeracy Equals Results) that has shown a positive impact on students literacy and numeracy achievements.

The program utilises existing resources to target years 8 and 9 students for intensive literacy and numeracy support across all subject classes, and includes professional development opportunities for teachers.

"Taminmin High School's LEARNERS program is a great example of what can be achieved in schools to improve outcomes for students. Congratulations to Taminmin High School Principal Kim Rowe, and the teachers and staff involved in this innovative project."

The following schools collected Achievement Awards of \$1000:

- Karama Primary School for their project 'the Challenge – High Expectations vs the Reality',
- St Francis of Assisi Primary School for their 'Rekindling a Literacy/Numeracy focus'
- Nightcliff High School for their project 'Intensive Literacy and Accelerated Literacy' programs

Gillen Primary School was awarded for participation for their 'Accelerated Literacy Program'.

Improving literacy and numeracy outcomes across the Territory – to provide the foundation for lifelong learning beyond formal schooling – is a key objective of the Government and was recently formalised in the NT Curriculum Framework.

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