

**Judy Armstrong and Sue Cashmere**

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Dear Judy and Sue,

As a year 1 teacher I have been using the DIPL program for 12 months. There are numerous advantages for the children and the teacher using the program.

- DIPL is an explicit, practical literacy program that encourages children to use the knowledge/skills they learn and already have, and to transfer these, to work out other words in their spelling, reading and writing.
- It is a well-structured, easy to implement program (a very useful weekly overview sheet is available in the Teacher Manual).
- Teaching/learning activities cater for all learning styles e.g. auditory, visual, kinaesthetic.
- It is skills based.
- It follows the NSW English outcomes (all set out in easy to read format... ideal for programming).
- The routine is easy for year 1 and 2 children to follow.
- Quality and meaningful workbook activities for the children that relate directly to the weekly rule and word studied.
- The children and teacher feel successful every week as all activities are achievable and fun... the children can see on their dictation/spelling score sheets (also included) how they are progressing.
- DIPL includes a thorough assessment section for the children who are experiencing difficulties.
- Our homework program now involves DIPL. Parents are very supportive of this idea. Homework participation in my class is 100%.

The only disadvantage is TIME. DIPL is 'Jam packed' with activities... we love DIPL because it works so we keep finding the time!

Thank you Judy and Sue. It's an amazing program that helps children succeed.

*M. Graham*

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