

From John and Silvia

Class placements and enrolment for 2021

We are about to organise your child's class placement for next year. It is still important to inform us if you are not continuing at Torrensville Primary next year as we have a number of students on our Enrolment Register hoping to come to Torrensville next year. We need to know by Monday, November 2nd.

We use a computer program to evenly place children in their classes. We enter your child's literacy and numeracy ability, their nominated three good, strong positive friends, and social/emotional data. What we then get is a class that has an even spread of learning as you don't want your child to be a "fish out of water"- either way ahead or way behind their peers in the class. The child will also have an identified close friend and if possible separated from the student is best away from.

This is an extremely complex process and what may appear to you as a simple move to another class after classes are set up creates a domino effect- it may leave another child friendless or move a child into a class where there is a student they are best away from.

This is why we ask you to provide us with information now regarding your child's class placement.

The information you

may want to provide is a couple of friends in your child's current year level. We can use that data as part of our process. We have asked you to put that request in writing so we can cross check our classes with your information. Every year we will get a parent say "But I told the teacher, I thought they would make sure", or "I told you a couple of years ago" or "I told you on yard duty" (that's a big risk- trusting our memory!) If you have any information, including confidential class placement considerations please email dl.1285.info@schools.sa.edu.au . If you would prefer, you can provide written information addressed to John or Silvia, please mark confidential. This will need to be in by Monday, 2nd November. Sometimes the parent requests can't be met (even though we try to). There could be a situation where you request your child is with a particular friend, but another parent requests that child is away from your child. Teachers will not be allocated to classes until later in the year, when all classes are in place so teacher requests can't happen as part of the class placement process.

Materials & Services Charges 2021

We invite parents and caregivers to attend an open meeting of our Governing Council where the materials and services charges of \$360 will be presented for approval.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, 27th October at 3:30pm under the canopy outside rooms 1 to 4.





Digital Technology in Room 1



Over several weeks Room 1 students have been enjoying working in groups using the Lego WeDo kits in the STEM area.

The children have been challenged to use their skills in using a digital system and its peripheral devices to build and code a robot.



Success Criteria

- Build a robot that can move on the moon.
- The robot can collect things.
- Explain how the robot works.
- Program the robot to move.



BOOK WEEK 2020

