

StatSmart Newsletter



New resource book for each StatSmart school



Digging into Data with Tinkerplots:

Inquiry-based lesson plans using the power of *TinkerPlots* *Dynamic Data Exploration* software combined with real-world data sets to engage students in making conjectures, creating and interpreting graphical representations, and writing evidence-based conclusions.

Arriving soon!

Any ideas?

Please let us know if you have any great ideas using *TinkerPlots*, or if you put any data into *TinkerPlots* that others could use.

We will have a website up and running soon and so we may be able to exchange ideas on the site.



To all StatSmart teachers:

Thank you all for your assistance with our first round of student surveys. All three states are now complete!

Unit planning:

One thing we have asked you to do is to teach a unit on statistics. We would like to see the kind of planning that you do for this. We have already received a few of your unit plans for this year - thank you!

There are absolutely no boundaries set for how this unit plan needs to look. Whatever you normally plan, however you normally set it out, is what we would like you to send us. If you're not sure what to do, or need some support, or ideas, or anything at all, then please e-mail Jane, Rosemary and Anthony. They are very happy to give support. Please cc Julie into any e-mails you send so she can keep a track of all that is going on!

At the conclusion of your unit could you please send us your assessment for the unit. This would need to include your assessment tasks including work samples from a range of students, your marking schemes (however they are developed) and the results.

Thank you!

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Next round of surveys—November 07.

All students that completed StatSmart surveys in the first half of this year, plus any new students that have arrived in your classes, will need to complete an end of year survey in November of this year.

In order to make this process run smoothly we are asking each school to pick a week in November that suits them and to let us know. We will then organize to visit your school at that time. Thanks.

StatSmart brochures:

A new colour brochure is now available giving information about the StatSmart project. If your school would like copies for distribution please contact Julie in Hobart and she will forward you as many copies as you require.
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