

StatSmart Newsletter



WELCOME BACK TO STATSMART !

Hello all,

We hope you all had a great holiday! StatSmart is up and running again for 2008. We are now ready for each of you to nominate your target StatSmart class or classes for this year. Julie will e-mail you all a brief form to fill out—which will give us the details we require at this stage.

The class or classes you nominate to use for the StatSmart project can contain children that have participated in the StatSmart project in 2007. The class you choose will be involved in completing student surveys and you will complete your statistics unit of work with them.

If you have any questions or queries regarding your target class for this year please contact Jane, Rosemary or Anthony on the addresses below.

May 2008 StatSmart Conference

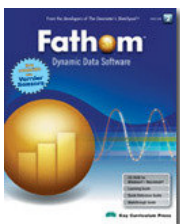
* Both TinkerPlots and Fathom sessions will be available at this year's conference. Prior to the conference you will all be asked your preference for which of these two sessions would be most appropriate for you to attend.

* You will be asked to bring your laptops this year, if you are able to. We will need to know if this is possible or not prior to the conference.

A big thanks to all of you that have sent in your unit outlines and work samples from 2007. Please can anyone who has not forwarded their unit plans and work samples yet please do so ASAP.

Please e-mail them to Julie at the address below.

Fathom update.....



Fathom Dynamic Data software will be available to all StatSmart schools that require it in 2008. This package is designed for use with secondary students. Packages and professional learning will be provided to relevant schools at the StatSmart conference in May.

Dates to remember:



The 2008 CensusAtSchool questionnaire will be open from 29 January 2008. The second phase of the project begins in July 2008, when the data from all students who participated are released on the CensusAtSchool web site, through the random sampler. Go to the CensusAtSchool web site (www.abs.gov.au/censusatschool) for more details.

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The StatSmart website is in progress! We hope to have more information about the website available for you all in May.

Reminder:

MELBOURNE CONFERENCE 2008

The StatSmart conference at the ABS in Melbourne will be held on the 1st and 2nd of May 2008.

The organisations are well underway for another great two days!

