**Notes from PLANE Teach/Meet Wed, 20th June**

**Virtual Worlds**

Two speakers presented about using virtual worlds in their classrooms. They used them to explore a lot of different areas of KLA’s. Maths seemed to be a big one, as you build things using set shapes. The teachers using this software idea found it especially worked well for Autistic Spectrum and GT students.

Minecraft

<http://massivelyminecraft.org/>

<http://www.minecraft.net/>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rmz7PNwpPhs>

Sims in the classroom

<http://simonastick.com/index072.html>

<http://www.goodworkproject.org/research/goodplay/>

<http://iliveisl.com/>

<http://coffsharbourpublicschool.edublogs.org/virtual-worlds/>

<http://opensimulator.org/wiki/Main_Page>

**Wikispaces**

A Teacher in Port Macquarie was exploring the use of Wiki spaces for her GT students in Primary School. The students found that as their finished work was out there for the world to see it made it feel more authentic. The students found access from home and school very easy and helpful.

Wikispace

<http://ourvisionforthefuture.wikispaces.com/Timeline>

<http://www.wikispaces.com/content/teacher>

**Edmodo**

The chat on the side of the screen was hot for edmodo. Perhaps we can use the Microsoft product to help us engage the students in a similar way:

Social Learning for Teachers and Students

<http://www.edmodo.com/>

**RPG Creative Writing Hunger Games**

This work at Abbotsleigh looked very interesting. Using the web as a whole-school tool for extending students. See email to English KLA.

Hunger Games Role Play Game (RPG)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XtxlZE2Nj9U&list=UUOSHy8xKrulJKnKOA2BhWEg&index=10&feature=plcp>

<http://hgamesrpg.posterous.com/>

<http://hgamesrpg.weebly.com/>

**iPad Apps**

**Puppet Pals** Movie making

Simple movie making app – choose some pics and then move them around the screen while talking. Perhaps it could be handy for Autistic spectrum students as a substitute for speeches? Also to teach basic film skills.

<http://itunes.apple.com/au/app/puppet-pals-hd/id342076546?mt=8>

<http://vimeo.com/43720072>

**Scribble Press** Book Making

I have seen the RE department have the student make storybooks for young children as an assessment. This helps students lay out the book and then publish to iBooks. Students can add pics, drawings etc to set frameworks or design their own

<http://itunes.apple.com/au/app/scribble-press/id487300076?mt=8>

**Educreations** Screen capture app

I’ve had a play with this one and it would be great for formulas, Japanese script etc. You can load a background and then talk and draw over the top and send out the finished product out to youtube etc.

<http://www.educreations.com/lesson/view/rosalilif-angles/935841/>

**One note as a vodcasting app?**

 One of the chat streams then followed about vodcasting and one teacher is using onenote to do it. I’ll have a play and let you know.

**Play school Art Maker App**

Basic App but well made and could be used to design work for younger applications. Perhaps CAFS?

<http://www.abc.net.au/abcforkids/sites/playschool/about/apps/>

**Maths Hunt around the school using QR**

<http://coffsharbourpublicschool.edublogs.org/2012/06/01/ipad-circle-hunt-stage-3/>