

8 February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Coding club will again be running this year at Duffy PS. Coding Club is an opt in activity that will take place on Friday morning every week from 8:30am - 9:30am. Coding Club is available to Year 4-6 students and will cater for all coding abilities from beginner to advanced. The club will be hosted by Miss Lucy Kelly in the Library. We're also after parent volunteers to assist with Coding Club.

Initially we will be using the application called Scratch. Scratch is a programming language where children can program interactive media such as stories, games, and animation. As children create with Scratch, they learn to think creatively, work collaboratively, and reason systematically. Scratch helps young people learn to think creatively, reason systematically, and work collaboratively — essential skills for life in the 21st century.

As Scratch requires some personal information (student email address) of students in order to provide the service, and that information will be stored in a location outside of the Education Directorate; we seek your consent to provide a subscription for your child. The student data collected by these services is managed directly by the school and used by the companies to provide home access to the services.

If your child would like to participate in Coding Club please complete the below form with all relevant permissions and return to school. Places are strictly limited in Coding Club and if we have additional students wanting to participate we will create a waiting list.

If you have any questions, concerns or would like to discuss any of the information contained in this letter please contact our Coding Club teacher, Miss Lucy Kelly on 6142 2510 or [lucy.kelly@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:lucy.kelly@ed.act.edu.au)

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I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ in class \_\_\_\_

to participate in Coding Club and create a Scratch user account.

Please tick if you are interested in volunteering and helping Coding Club

Parent/carer name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_