

# Save Our Snails!



As many of the children in Prep are aware, Frank and Shelley, Prep VI's giant African land snails, produced a large number of offspring about three weeks ago. The young snails are doing well but, as conditions in the tank are becoming very crowded, it is necessary to find the little "Shellets" and "Franklings" new homes.

A number of children have asked if they may take snails home as pets so, in the interests of finding new accommodation for these fascinating creatures, Prep VI have done some research on websites to produce an information sheet on how to look after them.

GALS are very easy to keep, requiring minimal attention and a simple care plan. Re-housing of our young snails is becoming an urgent issue and sadly, if new homes cannot be found, the offspring will have to be disposed of as humanely as possible.

If you are willing and able to adopt a pair of snails, or even just an individual snail, please return the permission slip at the bottom of this letter and you may collect your little molluscan mate, along with a fact sheet, from Prep VI.

Please be warned that pairs of snails *will breed* so you may wish just to have one.

In anticipation of your help,

Mr. J. Grant

Prep VI

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I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ (Pupil's name & class)

To collect \_\_\_\_\_ (number) giant African land snails as pets.

We have read the fact sheet and understand how to look after the animals.

Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/ Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_