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An age-old problem in schools has always been ensuring that students are excelling at the correct level, especially considering there can be up to 30 children in one class.

A new system, however, is set to make sure students know exactly how they are progressing and will ensure they understand each level of the curriculum before advancing to the next.

The "Eduss Trek" system is a new interactive learning companion that uses the local school curriculum to pin-point each child's progress.

Students from Kings Langley Public School will be among the first to use the system after receiving a \$25,000 grant that will see the interactive program installed on all computers around the school.

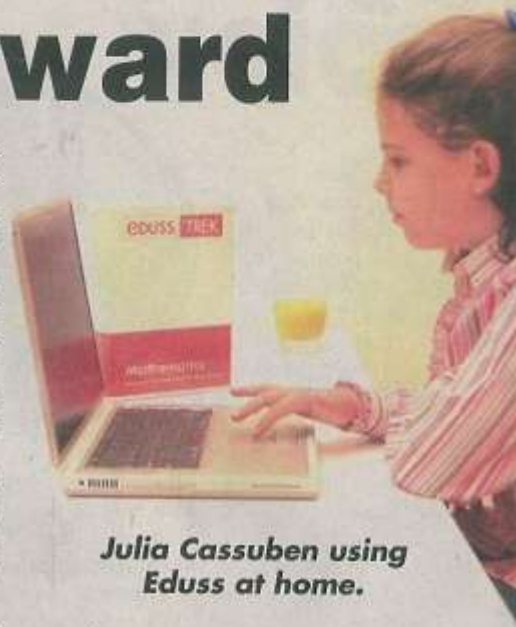
Principal Ian Roberts says that while nothing will ever replace teacher-student interaction, the Eduss Trek computer program, which works "hand in glove" with lessons in the classroom, is a solution to limited one-on-one time most students have with their teacher in the modern day classroom.

"The new Eduss Trek System helps our teachers by doing what they can't, and that's quite simply to give an individual child their complete and undivided attention for as long as is necessary," Mr Roberts said.

"It's great for those who aren't learning as quick as others in their class or on the same hand who are excelling much quicker.

"It's a total package for self-learning and probably the best product of this kind we have seen so far."

Mr Roberts says that while the program will be installed on all of the school's computers, parents



Julia Cassuben using Eduss at home.

wanting the take-home version will have to fork out \$375 for it.

The home version is described as a "take home teacher" as it ensures that students are doing any homework correctly and not going off course.

Bryn Whales, Eduss Schools Liaison Officer for New South Wales, says students will find the program benefits them more than traditional homework.

"This is a 21st century solution to an age-old challenge - making homework stimulating and rewarding enough for children to do regularly," he said.

"One of the great legacies of successful teaching is students' discovery of pride and self-esteem in learning."

The \$25,000 grant is not Government funded and comes purely from the company, Eduss Trek.