

BUSHMEAD HAD A BRILLIANT BOOK WEEK

What an amazing week we had at school! It was the last week in February and we decided to celebrate all aspects of reading, writing and other literacy activities with a BRILLIANT BOOK WEEK. Longer than World Book Day - more sparkly than Strictly Come Dancing and displaying more fun and talent than X-Factor...our BRILLIANT BOOK WEEK was epic! (and we'll do it all again next year!)

On MONDAY - we had an inspirational visit from author Luke Temple. Luke entertained us with his zany presentation and interactivity. We were all laughing and dancing and being amazed at the way he brought his characters to life.



Luke Temple and Mr. Davis

Here is a report from Keira Hempenstall in year 3!

"When Luke temple arrived at Bushmead he did a brilliant assembly about the books that he had written. Here are his most famous books:

- 1/ The Secret Theatre
- 2/ Stormy Cliff
- 3/ Ghost Post
- 4/ Doorway to Danger

In his assembly Luke seemed really funny and he even got volunteers to do role-playing for him so they acted out his books. For the rest of the

day everyone talked about Luke and his books. Some of us were lucky enough to see him around the school.

The next day I bought all four of his books and got a free poster and two free bookmarks!

Inside the book I found that he had written:

Dear Keira,
Best wishes
Luke Temple

Did you know that Luke's illustrator is called Jessica Chiba? - It took her six hours to design the cover from Doorway to Danger!?"

Review by Keira Hempenstall in 3KK

Everyone was so excited by Luke's visit and some boys in Year 4 have even started their own author club as a result!

Thank you to everyone who bought a book from Luke when he returned on Tuesday. He spent two hours signing books and he was very impressed by the children.

Here is a message from his 'agent' Mike

Dear Mr. Davis,

Thank you for your wonderful email. Luke was very touched by your comments. We both had a wonderful day at Bushmead Primary and were made to feel most welcome throughout. We were both impressed with the enthusiasm of the children and the way that they fully involved themselves during the presentation. I am still amazed at how swiftly they managed to enter and leave the hall.

Luke and I will be back in your area this time next year and would be happy to let you know as soon as we have further information.

Thank you (Mr. Davis) for your support throughout during the presentations, workshop and the book signing. It made the whole process go smoothly and without fuss. I can certainly see where the children get their love of reading from.

Luke and I both hope that your Brilliant Book Week continues to be a success and we would love to hear how it all goes.

I don't think we have ever had such a great response to (and from) an author before...

On Thursday we had a dressing up day! We used a theme of 'characters from another country' - as we wished to represent a more multi-cultural side of books to the children.

Everyone (again) really did their best and we had some great ideas. Thanks to the parents and children for their help in making it go with a WOW!

On Friday we welcomed a second author - Alex Keller who writes 'steam punk' books (fairy tales with Victorian technology). Not only did Alex introduce us to his characters but he also worked with all the children in year 5 to help them with their story writing!



This has certainly been useful because all week each year group has been working on a chapter of a whole school adventure book - originally from a plot devised by Mr. Davis. This was an ambitious project and we hope to see the full story displayed in the school - and on this website.

Coming soon we have authors Eamon Reilly and Chris Bradford - please consider buying their books too! WMD 2013