ENRICHMENT and EXTENSION NEWS

On **Monday** Years K-2 watched a shadow puppet show that inspired us to make our own puppets and create our own stories. Jenny Ellis showed us how she had created her own characters and combined her many talents in the performance.

On **Tuesday** Years 5 and 6 Language and Expression students participated in a writing workshop with the renowned author Mark Greenwood. The workshop was entitled “The History Hunter Breathing Life into Legends.”

Some students described the experience through their reflections:

“Mark Greenwood’s visit was incredibly engaging and interesting. Even when he spoke to us he talked like he was writing a story with riddles and legends.” Mia Baily 5W

“Mark Greenwood was very interesting because he made us use our brains to figure out questions about history. I loved learning that you need to question in a story, not tell the answer straight away.” Aerin Dinham 5K

“Mark inspired me to be an ambitious writer and to show feelings. His visit was very interesting. His stories showed me how to be a better writer.” Lauren Board 5W

“Mark’s workshop was amazing because he left questions for us to make our own stories out of.” Zac Scott 6F

“Mark’s workshop was full of mystery and it gave me a lot of ideas for future stories.” Will Baily 6F

“Mark’s workshop was fun, historical and mysterious.” Ryan Tan 6S

“Mark’s workshop was very intriguing. I was very amazed that Mark Greenwood could get me to really think of the story.” Tomo Bower 6S

“Mark’s workshop was inspiring, important, historical and special. I will treasure it forever.” Helen Jordan 5G

“Mark’s workshop had so many great stories to tell and was so inspiring. I wish he stayed longer. It was one of the best experiences of my life!” Siobhan Parkes 5K

“Mark’s workshop was just simply AMAZING. He was very good at painting a picture in your mind and explaining things in detail. He was very inspiring and interesting. I wish he stayed longer. I had such a great time.” Lauren Solness 5G

“Mark’s workshop for writing was amazing and it was very engaging because it had an interesting history. We made a strange object book.” Evelyn Li 5W

These comments demonstrate how important it is for students to relate to authors and other talented people who can inspire and provide ideas and strategies for them to develop their own creativity.

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