

# Book Week

At



20—24th July 2009

**The purpose of book week is to encourage people to read books. At Whangaparaoa College we believe that reading is very important and by promoting books we are encouraging our learners to become more proficient readers. This week we have had authors like Tessa Duder, Glenys Stace, Gillian Torckler and Brian Falkner-working with learners. This has been so that children get an understanding of what it is like to be an author and how writing is significant.**

**As well, every day people from the community ( such as Alison Holst, Lockwood Smith, Members of the Rotary, John Kirkiri from RDC, Ken Rapson (Auckland University), Trevor Wallace, Bernie Watts & Jug Price from Orewa Police, Herbie Barnes & Leon Ford from the Westpac Rescue Helicopter, members of our Board of Trustees, local librarian, Derek McCormack from AUT, Grev Walker and Chris Casey from Harper Collins Publishing to name but a few have come in and read books with classes and explain why reading is significant. The importance of reading in peoples lives outside is not well understood and these readers have explained the importance of reading to groups of learners**

**On Monday the staff dressed up as book characters and on Thursday a mufti day is occurring where learners can come as their favourite book character. All week there is a book sale occurring at the school and discounted books available for purchase. Competitions are running all week with book vouchers as prizes.**





# Monday

20th July

**First day of our book week. All staff were dressed in their favourite book characters.**

**Our Author for the day was Tessa Duder who read to our year 7-10 learners.**

**We also held an Author Workshop for 25 of our Senior Learners.**



# Tuesday

21st July

**Our Author for the day was Glenys Stace who read to our year 8 learners.**

**We also held an Author Workshop for 25 of our Year 8 Learners.**

**Every day the Principal has a quiz with prizes. Today's questions:-**

- 1. What is the name of Harry's cousin in the first book of the series? Provide Christian name and surname. (Harry Potter)**
- 2. Why does Edward find Bella so alluring? (Twilight)**
- 3. What do Mrs Jones, Mr Blunt and Smithers have in common? (Alex Rider)**
- 4. What is the name of the character who calls the ring "My Precious"? (Tolkien)**
- 5. Which play contains the following lines "Two households, both alike in dignity, In fair Verona, where we lay our scene," (Shakespeare)**



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# Wednesday

22nd July

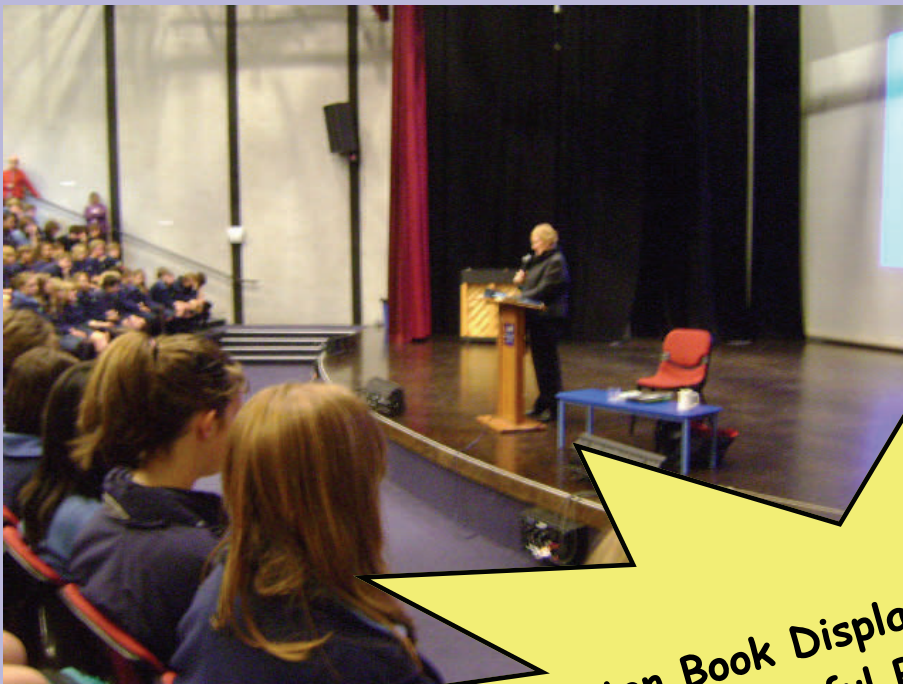
**Glenys Stace is presenting to our year 9 learners.**

**Today teachers will be bringing their favourite book to school to share with learners.**

**We will hold an Author Workshop for 25 of our Year 9 Learners.**

**Every day the Principal has a quiz with prizes. Today's questions:-**

- 1. At the end of the book, why do the soldiers not realise that Bruno is from outside the camp? (The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas)**
- 2. What birthday gift did Brian Robeson use to help him survive in the Canadian Wilderness? (Gary Paulsen)**
- 3. What is the first wish that Tessa writes down? (Jenny Downham)**
- 4. Which character does Ellie describe as having, "beautiful delicate skin" and "fine features" and who had "never done any hard work in her life, never been in the sun"? (John Marsden)**
- 5. Almost all the titles of Paul Jennings's short story anthologies start with the same prefix. Name one title and underline the prefix.**



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# Thursday

23rd July

**Our Author for the day is Gillian Torckler who will read to our year 10 learners.**

**Today is Mufti Day—come dressed as your favourite or most interesting book character. Prizes.**

**We will hold an Author Workshop for 25 of our Year 10 Learners.**

**Every day the Principal has a quiz with prizes. Today's questions:-**

- 1. Pride & Prejudice's first line is "It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a ...?" (Jane Austen)**
- 2. True or False: George and Lennie, the main characters in Of mice and men, et to the ranch by riding on a train. (John Steinbeck)**
- 3. Which successful TV reality show was named after an idea in Orwell's novel: 1984 (George Orwell)**
- 4. Name a character in Holes whose name is a palindrome. (Louis Sachar)**
- 5. Why does Jack Reacher not wash his clothes? (Lee Child)**



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# Friday

24th July

**Our Author for the day is Brian Falkner who will read to our year 7 learners.**

**Our final day of book week, where we have had so many kind readers from our community read to our learners every day.**

**We will hold an Author Workshop for 25 of our Year 7 Learners.**

**Every day the Principal has a quiz with prizes. Today's questions:-**

- 1. What job (or title) is held by Getafix? (Asterix)**
- 2. In Carrie, what happens when she is crowned Prom Queen? (Stephen King)**
- 3. The Da Vinci Code said these men belonged to a secret society: Sir Isaac Newton, Botticelli, Victor Hugo, and Da Vinci belong to ..... Name the secret society. (Dan Brown)**
- 4. Which Brian Falkner book deals with the secret formula for Coke? (Brian Falkner)**
- 5. "I have never read such gross-out sexist crap as your e-mail, Dan-theman, whoever and wherever you are.) This is the line from Hot Mail. What is unusual about the way (narrative style) in which this novel is written.**

