Students inspired by visiting authors

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Good Shepherd Lutheran College has been celebrating Book Week this week with a range of fun activities for the Junior Years students including visits from four renowned children's authors, a writing competition and characters' dress parade.

"The visiting authors were one of the highlights of the week, reading their colourful and engaging books to an eager audience of students, teachers and parents," said Mrs. Brenda Helfrich, P-5 Student Co-ordinator for Good Shepherd Lutheran College, believes meeting the authors is a very special experience for the students for many reasons.

"Aside from reading their books to the students, the authors will share their experiences as professional writers as well as some tips on writing," said Mrs. Brenda Helfrich.

Each year since 1955, the Children's Book Council of Australia has hosted Children's Book Week to honour and celebrate the work of Australian children's authors and illustrators.

"Citizen's theme 'Read across the Universe' invites schools to reflect upon the benefits of reading and to promote a reading-rich culture.

According to Mr. Anthony Dyer, Principal Good Shepherd Lutheran College, the aim of Good Shepherd's participation in Book Week is to reinforce that reading and writing are fun.

"We have had a range of exciting activities throughout the week, culminating with a heroes' book parade tomorrow, Friday, August 23rd at 8.45am where the children get to dress up as their favourite book characters for family and friends."