

THE ANDREW MCDONOUGH SCHOOL VISIT 'STORY TELLING EXTRAVAGANZA'

Andrew McDonough is the author and illustrator of the popular Lost Sheep children's books. These stories are used by schools and churches around the world. 400 000 books have been sold in Australia. Andrew grew up in country South Australia where the school teachers were tough. When kids mucked around they weren't made to write fifty words or a hundred lines, but were forced to write stories - pages and pages of stories! But Andrew didn't care, he liked writing stories and he hasn't stopped since. He is currently working on book number thirty three.



**PACKED
WITH
VALUE**

**INTER-
ACTIVE
SESSIONS**

FULL DAY VISITS

- Assemblies or Chapel messages
- Workshops for individual classes
- Devotions with staff
- Free resources

Would you like Andrew to visit your school?

Andrew's school visits are popular with children of all ages. His action packed, interactive visits include:

- Sharing stories in assemblies or chapel
- Interactive story telling sessions with classes
- Sharing his own journey from scribbling at school to publishing books internationally
- Taking the children through the process of creating and publishing a story
- Showing the children original illustrations, draft material and printing proofs
- Providing inspiring ideas for teachers
- Listening to the kids, looking at their pictures and answering stacks of questions
- Sharing at staff devotional times

Andrew aims to...

- Inspire children to write stories, draw and develop their creativity
- Encourage children to explore and use their God given gifts
- Teach values such as team work, resilience and compassion for others.
- Share stories of Jesus in a fresh and exciting way (appropriate to the faith ethos of the school)
- Have plenty of fun with the staff and students
- Provide teachers with high quality activities and resources

What the Staff say...

"Andrew has a wonderful rapport with students of all ages. If you need an author visit to tie in with Book Week or a Christian presenter to do workshops with the students, then this talented man is worth pursuing. Our students were captured by his enthusiasm and easy-going nature as he shared his love of writing stories, story telling and explained how his journey began as a school boy who loved to draw and the road that it has led too."

Lynn Grosser- Care Coordinator
St John's Lutheran School Eudunda S.A.

What the Kids Say...

"I really enjoyed your visit because you are funny and your drawings are really good." Arabella. Year 5.

What International best selling author Max Lucado has to say about Andrew's stories...

"Fresh, vivid and attention-grabbing. These stories touch the heart and illuminate the mind."

Max Lucado, Bestselling Author.



Speaking Fees.

Full day (and we mean FULL DAY!!) visit \$850
Interstate travel and accommodation expenses \$375.
(Andrew is based in South Australia).

Total cost when outside S.A. \$1225 (inc GST)

If you would like Andrew to visit your school, contact us at:

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About Lost Sheep

When Jesus wanted to change lives he told stories. That's what we do at Lost Sheep. Some of our stories are about Jesus, some are by Jesus, but all of them point to Jesus. We take the spirituality of children seriously but also believe the gospel is fun. Our calling is to produce story telling resources that reflect the heart of Jesus. Our focus is on children and all those working to build faith in kids around the world. Our desire is that parents, teachers, pastors & children's workers will use these resources to develop the faith of kids.



About Andrew McDonough

Andrew McDonough is the creator of the popular Lost Sheep stories used in schools and churches around the world. He has written and illustrated over 30 children's books. Andrew's background is as South Australian Baptist pastor.

He belongs to the WestCare community, an inner city mission working amongst the homeless, supporting people struggling with addictions and advocating for refugees. His passion is to provide high quality Biblical story telling resources to children's workers, pastors and parents. Andrew's stories include Cecil the Lost Sheep, Jesus and the Children, Echidnas on Everest, The Image of God, Jesus was a Refugee and plenty more. To see the whole range visit www.lostsheep.com.au.



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More Teacher Reviews!

"All of our students loved having author and illustrator Andrew McDonough visit our school. Students were able to see, learn and understand about the book making process. Andrew kept students of all ages (R-7) captivated with his vibrantly illustrated stories, life experiences and drawing prowess."

Tania Schutz

Redeemer Lutheran School Nuriootpa S.A.

"Your efforts over the two days exceeded our expectations. It was a pleasure to have you at the school, spreading fun and laughter to the children through your stories."

Maria Scarla

Deputy Principal

St James the Apostle Catholic Primary VIC.

"Andrew conducted a workshop with each Learning Unit on how a book is developed and gave tips and ideas for writing and showed the students how to draw cartoon illustrations. Andrew is an engaging speaker and all the students had a great experience."

Lachlan Marsh

Assistant Principal

St Cuthbert's Catholic School Lindisfarne TAS.

"Fabulous. The students, staff and grandparents thoroughly enjoyed Andrew's presentations at the assembly and to each class. It was so much fun, he makes the stories come alive, he uses so much expression for the different characters. Andrew had complete control of every class so the teachers could relax and enjoy the sessions as well. For the dollars paid it was absolute value for money!"

Jenny Pfeiffer

The Good Shepherd Lutheran College Angaston S.A.

"I have heard it said that 'Faith is caught and taught'. Your wonderful visit to our school community certainly catered to both elements. You inspired, encouraged, entertained and re-introduced Jesus to us in a fresh and fun way."

Susan Frawley

Religious Education Teacher

St Joseph's Catholic School Renmark S.A.

"Danebank enjoyed immensely having Andrew visit our school for the day. His presentations were entertaining and humorous and he engaged all students from Kindergarten to Year 6. Students loved his stories and his illustrations. Andrew demonstrated how his books are created from initial idea through to finished product which captured the interest of older students. Students were instantly drawn to Andrew's books, with their bright, colourful illustrations and theologically sound messages. Andrew worked tirelessly, giving back-to-back presentations and an assembly talk. An exciting part of our Book Week celebrations."

Michele Jamieson

Teacher/Librarian

Danebank Anglican School for Girls Hurstville NSW.

"Engaging. Positive encouragement for kids to draw and write; funny and captivating; well-paced and relevant to all ages. Brings the Bible to life and touches the kids' understanding of faith. Love the movement and dramatics. Genuine. Great male role model."

Ann Grbin

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Clare S.A.

"An almighty thank you for your impressive work with our students yesterday. We appreciated your visit and it is clear that our students were impressed by your details of creating a book. You left them inspired!"

Peter Parlett

Primary Coordinator of Students

Coomera Anglican College Qld.

"The teachers and children were thrilled with your presentations. They really appreciated your humour, audience participation, stories, illustrations and good advice. The upper primary classes thought you were fantastic! The Year 6 teacher said, "Hats off to Andrew for his stamina and enthusiasm after such a long day!" They would love to have you come back and inspire them again about story writing. The junior primary classes could relate to all you shared and really loved your books, both stories and illustrations."

Graeme Jones

Teacher Librarian

Waverley Christian College Narre-Warren South VIC.

"Andrew presented to girls from Early Learning Class to Year 9 over 5 different sessions. All students were delighted by his wonderfully humorous approach to telling and illustrating Bible stories and by the insights he provided into the whole writing process. Andrew was equally comfortable with 4 year olds and 15 year olds. He was able to expertly tailor his talk to the maturity of each group and kept students fully engaged at both ends of the spectrum. In the Junior School, our Cecil the sheep books have been in constant circulation since his visit with many students and parents asking for details of where to buy more books for their personal libraries. The Year 9 students appreciated the way Andrew shared about his faith and his community work with the disadvantaged, in particular refugees. We all loved having Andrew here and were inspired by him."

Christine Sinden

Junior School Teacher Librarian

Tara Anglican School for Girls Paramatta NSW

I would highly recommend a Lost Sheep author visit. Andrew's a very engaging speaker who spent his whole day accommodating all of our requests - talking to small groups, large groups, parents and staff about his books - and signing them, too. A very excited flock of Lost Sheep fans waited eagerly for Andrew's visit and we weren't disappointed!"

Janelle Moore

Maitland Christian College Maitland NSW

What the Kids Say!

I loved Andrew McDonough's visit. He took us on a journey from outback Australia to Mount Everest; from the paddock to the pond and from Earth to Heaven and back. Trinity Yr5

Andrew McDonough's visit was like Jambaroo's best ride. He taught us heaps of stuff about drawing, writing and getting closer to God. He told us lots of stories. Bronte Yr5

Your drawings are the best drawings I have ever seen. Dwayne Yr1

I enjoyed when you showed us how to make a book. Charlotte Yr 1

Andrew McDonough's visit was like a game of 'pass the parcel'. There were so many layers to his stories and the prize was more knowledge about Jesus. Trinity Yr5

I enjoyed the drawing and the activities that he did with us. It was so much fun. Ariana Yr7

Andrew McDonough's visit to our school was like a marble cake. It had so many flavours and layers. Grace Yr5

I really enjoyed Andrew McDonough's visit because we could do heaps of cool things. We did drawing and making stories and we learnt the structure of a story and how to plan one. Patrick Yr 7

I love when you made a book on the white board. Adam Yr 1

Andrew McDonough is an inspirational, fantastic and creative author. He is one of those people you need to hear talk. Rachel Yr5

It was fun when we did the actions to Zac. I really enjoyed your fantastic session. Di Yr3

Andrew McDonough's visit was like a swim in a pool in the summer because it was so refreshing. Brooke Yr5

Andrew McDonough's visit was like a bird because he came and then he was gone too soon. Bailey Yr5

When Andrew McDonough comes to visit it is like a feast. When you read his books they're like a hamburger. They have so many layers and you enjoy all of it. Once you start you don't want to stop. Jacob Yr5

Andrew McDonough was amazing! He is an awesome author and illustrator. I wish I could draw like him. Elliot Yr5

Andrew McDonough's visit was amazing. It was like eating an ice-cream on a stinking hot day. Delicious while enjoying it and sad when it's gone. John Yr4

Accrediting Body Recommendation.

Andrew McDonough is an accredited Baptist minister who has an amazing ministry in the writing and presentation of kids picture books drawn from the stories and/or themes of the Scriptures. I commend Andrew's ministry to you and will vouch for his integrity and giftedness in this ministry. His engagement with kids has to be seen to be believed and his books bring the stories of the Christian faith alive with meaning and challenge in a very accessible manner. I have known Andrew for some 20 years from when we were at Theological College together and he was sketching during the less inspiring lecture moments. He served as pastor to two of our churches prior to stepping out to focus solely on his writing and presentation ministry. Kids love his books and any school who engages him in a visit will find it of immense value. Rev. Mike Mills
State Executive Minister
Baptist Churches of SA

Details for a Full Day Visit (consider a 3-5 day visit.)

Assembly and Chapel: Andrew is happy to share between 5 -15 minutes at assembly or chapel.

Sessions: It works best if Andrew is based in one spot and the kids come to him.

What Andrew needs: A data projector or nifty smartboard. A whiteboard or two can also be handy. A glass of water and maybe a coffee. If possible, a microphone.

Time: 40-55 minute sessions work best. Up to five sessions a day.

Group Size: one to two classes per session works well. The smaller the group the more interaction. If there are over 50 kids per session, make the coffee strong.

Content: Andrew tells between 2-5 stories, shares how he creates a book showing the children original drawings, early drafts, printer proofs and line art images. He often draws for the kids and sometimes the kids draw as well. Sessions may include a demonstration of computer graphic design of a book page. There is plenty of interaction.

What about the older kids? Definitely include a session for the grade 6 and 7s. They will enjoy it.

Invite Andrew or find out more Email schools@lostsheep.com.au

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