





## POPULAR AUTHOR MATT COSGROVE VISITS THOMAS HASSALL ANGLICAN COLLEGE

On Tuesday 6 August, we had a special visitor to our College. Popular Australian children's author and illustrator, Matt Cosgrove came to do a presentation to the current Prep, 2020 Kindy and Year 1.

Matt has been writing for 25 years and has had many books published. The best known of these are probably the much-loved 'Macca the Alpaca' series. Matt's book, 'Alpacas with Maracas' was this year's ALIA National Simultaneous Storytime book.

Matt was an extremely engaging speaker and talked to the children about how important it is to read a wide variety of books to develop vocabulary and nurture a love of words. He also showed photos of his writing and the children saw that it is normal to make many changes to your original draft rather than expecting it to be perfect immediately. Matt talked about how important reading and drawing is because they help to grow your brain.

Here is a link to his website: <https://www.mattcosgrovebooks.com/>

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