

National Literacy and Numeracy Week 2009 Project Report



Project title: *Author visit to school – Frances Watt*

Project description: *Stimulate writing throughout the school by inviting an author to come and visit during Literacy and Numeracy Week*

Person responsible for project: *Jill Ridgway*

School, region, diocese: *Shoal Bay Public School, Hunter Central Coast*



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Number of students, teachers, parents, other community members directly involved:

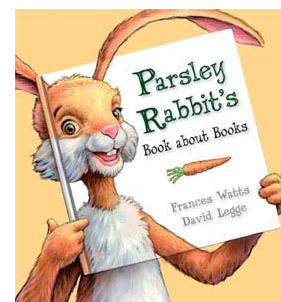
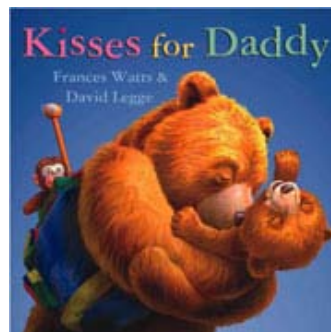
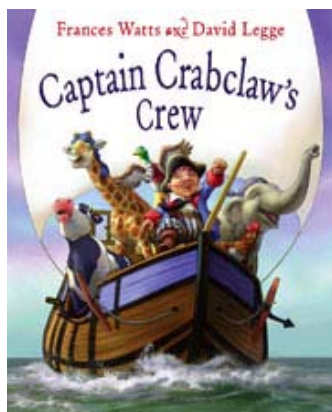
- *306 students (K-6)*
- *15 staff members*
- *12 parents*

Intended literacy and/or numeracy outcomes:

- *Promote literacy – reading and writing throughout the school*
- *Professional learning for staff*
- *Student workshops to understand the writing process*
- *Parent workshop to help with literacy at home.*

Evidence of achievement of intended literacy and/or numeracy outcomes:

- *All students and staff participated in the workshops.*
- *There was a focus on writing within the school.*
- *More students borrowed books from the library in the weeks following, especially from the author.*
- *Teachers were able to follow up on the workshops in the classroom.*
- *Some students undertook to write their own narratives in their own time and shared these with their classes.*



Other information: *Frances talking to groups of students.*



Feedback about making grants available for such projects:

The grant allowed the school to undertake a project we would not normally be able to do. The visit by the author was the central activity for our week and was well received by staff, students and parents. It was very successful and achieved our objectives.