



Ross Collins author and illustrator visit

On behalf of the Scottish Booktrust, thank-you to all those schools who responded so enthusiastically to the opportunity to host a visit from the Author/illustrator Ross Collins in January. The Scottish Booktrust and we at ELS were overwhelmed. Unfortunately, Ross was only able to visit ten schools, but here's what the Reception class at Bentinck Primary and Nursery School thought.



“The children in Class R thoroughly enjoyed their visit from Ross Collins’ last week. The children gained a lot from the visit, particularly meeting the author and illustrator of two books they had previously read and enjoyed. Ross inspired the children to draw and make Robots based on Robot Rumpus.

As a result of the visit the school has gained some wonderful artwork, and it was great for the children to experience the high standard of artistry and writing required to make the books. The children had a fun morning, showing how interested they were when they showed him which book was their favourite. They loved answering and asking questions and every child in the class had positive words to say about their experience particularly hearing Ross read his books.”

Many thanks

Claire Stafford

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