

The Stroogle author Cameron Stelzer chats with Ashlyn Baker at Bundaberg Arts Centre during the Create a Shoe Car fun workshop. *Photos: TANYA HEIDKE str3007a*

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Stroogle comes to play



Rory Delaney and Barcy Braund get creative. *str3007b*

A POPULAR art workshop was as much about the children meeting the author of one of their favourite books as it was about the author meeting the children.

Cameron Stelzer said he liked to use the days to gauge ideas with children about upcoming Stroogle adventures.

"It is fabulous market research," Dr Stelzer said.

Over the four sessions more than 80 children attended the Bundaberg Arts Centre to take part in the workshops.

Sunday's sessions were broken up into different age groups and activities varied with ages.

Students coloured, created craftwork and some students even designed their own mythical creature.

Kim Helmore took her children Jocely, 11 and Aaron, 12, to the event because they had always shown an interest in art.

"Aaron loves constructing things so he was really excited to go down there," Mrs Helmore said.

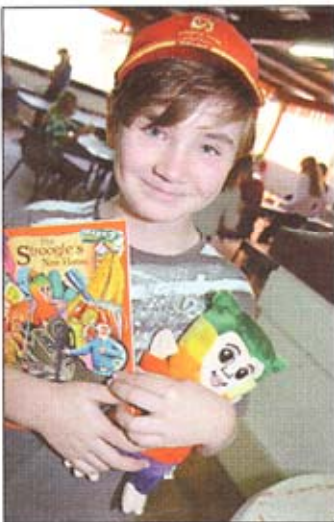
"While Jocelyn's more into fashion, she loves all that."

She said both her kids had a great time at the workshop.

"They both came home and they were pretty excited, so that is a pretty good sign," she said.



Michael Delaney having fun at the event. *str3007e*



Theo Delaney at the workshop.



Jocelyn Helmore and brother Aaron take part. *str3007d*