



Hopatcong Borough Schools Press Release

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Kim Norman visits Hudson Maxim School

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Cynthia Randina, Hopatcong Superintendent of Schools, Announces

On Friday December 9th, Kim Norman visited Hudson Maxim School to perform for the eager young readers and writers. Ms. Diana Fratangelo and Mrs. Dana DeMetro planned for Kim's visit by raising enthusiasm, readying the library in a holiday theme for the Author Visit Luncheon, and coordinating book sales of Kim's books throughout the Hudson Maxim Community.

All Hudson Maxim staff prepared for the Author Visit by having a door decorating contest between all classes with a prize of front row seating! Congratulations to the classes of Mrs. DeMetro, Mrs. DeLorenzo, Ms. Colonna and Ms. Wieczorek for earning front row seating! A gumball guess in the library for students allowed students to have an individual chance of winning a holiday pencil at the preschool and kindergarten level. Heightening their experience at the first grade level, winners of the gumball guess enjoyed the Author Luncheon with Kim Norman in our library!

During her two presentations, Mrs. Norman sang and entertained the children with "The Storytime Boogie" and a few of her own stories. She discussed how to use a writer's tool bag to develop an idea into a tale, using pictures and personal anecdotes along the way. It was a very interactive presentation, with the Hudson Maxim community acting out versions of Still A Gorilla and This Old Van.

We are so lucky to have such a great HEPTO association that funds the Author Visit program annually! Also, with our newest implementation of Writer's Workshop in the elementary grades, our writing focus is at an all-time high and the students could not be more excited about writing their own works of art!

Thank you again, Kim Norman for visiting Hudson Maxim and instilling a love of reading and writing in our students! The kids will treasure these memories for years to come!

Author Visit Committee,

Diana Fratangelo and Dana DeMetro



