As part of our Arts program, students from Prep to Year 6 recently participated in the “Wood Magic” program. There were quite a few topics for the teachers to select from, and students completed activities that related to what is being (or has been) studied in class. Prep students made farm animals, Year 1 students made toys, Years 2 and 3 made funny monsters, Year 4 made insects, Year 5 made natural disasters, and Year 6 made Indonesian puppets.

First, Anatoli and his assistant gave us a brief explanation of the safety precautions we needed to observe. We picked our model that we wanted to make and then traced around it onto another piece of timber. Then, we put on our safety goggles and began using the saw to cut around the outline. Once all of our pieces were cut, we used sandpaper to smooth the edges. We went to the back table and glued the pieces together. Then, we used the nails and hammer to permanently attach the pieces. We then drew the designs on the wood, and will complete them in class using paint, crayons or pencils. Wood Magic is so much fun, as we get to use a variety of tools and make something exciting! Have a look at the photos below of us in action! By Year 5.