

Get To Know Asia





Get To Know Asia

A vividly colourful, very hands on, Asian experience.

Inspiring imagery, costumes, music, puppets and stories are all utilized in this interactive Asian adventure. Using a large map and a very clever rap song Karina names every Asian country and soon has the audience rapping and remembering a surprising number of countries.

Karina tells of her personal experiences in Malaysia at the Batu caves with its enormous statue. While nowhere near the size of the real one, Karina's statue of Lord Murugan is very impressive. Before entering the caves, Karina demonstrates how Asian women drape the saree (their national dress) over their body.

Volunteers model Asian hats from the practical coolie to an elaborate but impossible to wear shell covered head-wear from Pakistan. Everyone falls in love with the Douc Langurs, a lesser known Asian primate, said to be 'the cutest monkey in the world'. Another big hit is Karina's pop-up book that contains some striking and outrageous buildings, both old and new, from across Asia. When goods are sorted into what Asia sells to us and what we sell to Asia, there are a few surprises.

The Asian New Year celebration is a fantastic finale as students carry lanterns, good luck symbols and manipulate not one but two, five metre long dragons. With two teachers operating the most adorable Foo Lion the spectacular parade begins as students carry their colourful objects around the entire audience, creating lasting insights into the culture of Australia's northern neighbours.

What schools have said: All awesome, I was very impressed. Engaging presentation throughout. Content excellent, good breadth and depth. Loved the visual aids, most effective. Top notch all round. Entertained and controlled our group amazingly. *Carol Roberts. P to 5. Paynesville Primary School. VIC.*

Very Engaging - Lots of audience participation. Humour was appropriate and understood by all children. Rap was very good. Karina was approachable, friendly and had strong knowledge of the subject. *Leah Johns. K to 6. Tamrookum State School. QLD.*

Curriculum Relevance: SOSE, HSIE: Culture and Identity. Positive experiences of Asian Customs, Cultures and Traditions.

Price: \$5.50 per student (GST incl.). **Suitable:** P, K to Year 6.

Min Audience: 130 students. **Requires** an indoor area 5m deep x 6m wide.

Times: Show: 50 mins. Set up: 45 mins. Pack up: 40 mins.

