

# BOOK WEEK 2018

## GUEST AUTHOR



Simon Higgins has always been fascinated by Asian cultures. Since he was young, he has trained in Ju-Jitsu, Judo, Karate, Kendo, Iaido, Tai Chi and Kung Fu; and studied traditional Asian societies and customs. When Simon left school he decided to try as many different jobs as possible, which included: assistant camel handler and costumed monster in a circus's sideshow, lab assistant, salesman, construction worker and DJ. He eventually became a Senior Constable with the South Australian police, then a private investigator on murder cases in Adelaide.

This was a hard job to deal with, so Simon started finding escape and positivity through reading and writing, just as he had in childhood. Since then, he has published many successful books, some of which you might know from the 'Moonshadow' series. These are action-packed adventures of a young ninja, which draw heavily on real historical shinobi spy craft and folklore. Simon knows so much about Japanese history and practical swordsmanship, he took care to make all the duelling sequences realistic.

You're invited to meet Simon Higgins, as he inspires Year 3 - 5 students with fascinating facts, creative writing tips, and ancient ninja secrets.

**WHERE: The Library**

**WHEN: Tuesday, August 14**

**COST: \$2 (give to teacher)**

**PAY BY: Friday, August 10**

