

# WESTGATE NEWS

Newsletter

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## MIMIKA MAGIC!

On the 22nd of January to the 24th of January, the students and staff of Westgate enjoyed a marvelous masterpiece from Mimika Theatre. The tent, where their shows took place, was set up in the school hall.

### Quotes

Mr. Hackney, year 6 teacher, said, "Live theatre is a great experience, Mimika should come back next year." Other children who saw Mimika, commented, "It was amazingly realistic."

### Quote from the performers

Mimika theatre, (also known as Bill and Jenny) explained, "We did theatre in college and then we carried on, without words, mainly visual. We used to be clowns in carnivals but then we went to schools and did one school at a time. We then made the tent and now we do a class at a time."

In recent times, arts in primary schools is in 'dramatic decline'. New research reveals that learning through arts and culture develops skills and behaviour that lead children to do better in school: Therefore, groups like Mimika are important.

### Thank you

A week after Mimika visited Westgate, we received a thank you letter from Mimika saying how they loved performing at Westgate. Mimika have decided to test out their new show, 'The Arctic', on us.

Go onto [www.mimikatheatre.com](http://www.mimikatheatre.com) to find out more.



Mimika tent