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Lucinda Gifford, Shaun Tan,  
John Marsden and  
meeting NEW FRIENDS!



After a two year wait, we are finally here! Helen Jarvis, Lucie Towers, Tracey Dembo and I won our place in this program in 2020, but, alas, it was COVIDed in 2020 and 2021. We have been zooming regularly since then but it's so nice to meet in person!



Today we met the visionary folk who dreamed this program into life, and have made it happen year after year: Helen Chamberlin, Pam Horsey, and the cool kids from Victorian branch of the *Childrens Book Council of Australia*. (Warmest thanks also to the *Copyright Agency's cultural fund!*)



It's been such a great time, but highlights of these first few days?  
\* informal chats with creators Lucinda Gifford, Shaun Tan, and John Marsden.  
\* witnessing the fab playspace of John's Candlebark School - the PILES of rollerskates made my little skater heart sing!  
\*visiting the magical, inspiring Dromkeen!

Play! ☆  
Captures the Lucy candlebark Vibe!



Met Adam Wallace and Henry Boffin at a book launch!

