

ARCHIE FUSILLO

AUTHOR, EX-TEACHER AND ONE OF OUR MOST DYNAMIC SPEAKERS

A KEEN WRITER since his own late secondary school days, Archie Fusillo recognised the need in schools for stories that resonated with the lives of students.

THIS BELIEF spawned his first novel, *Sparring With Shadows*, which was an immediate success with critics and readers. The novel gave Archie the chance to foster his dream of writing full time - something he now does alongside running writers' workshops, teacher PD sessions, along with talks and seminars in schools and universities across the nation.

FOLLOWING THE SUCCESS of his debut, Archie wrote the widely acclaimed YA novel *The Dons*, winner of the 2002 Family Therapist Awards, following this with *An Earful of Static*, *Bruises: Boys Don't Cry* and the 2006 release *On the Mat*.

School feedback...

'Archie is a true professional. His talk was humourous, inspirational, informative and engaging.'
- De La Salle College

'Archie Fusillo is a great role model for young men keen to explore their writing. He is confronting and real. His writing is fresh, his humour touching.'
- St Joseph's College

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'Archie was wonderful. The best speaker we have ever had.'
- Mullauna College

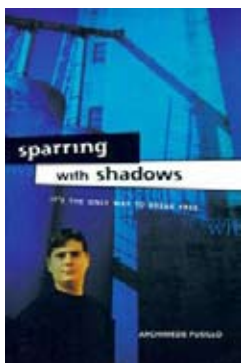
INTRODUCING his work to a younger audience, Archie collaborated with illustrator Terry Denton on the picture book *Grandad's Phase* and also released a number of Aussie Bites, including *Let it Rip* and *The Great Switcheroo*.

FREQUENTLY INVITED to speak on the issue of Boys Literacy to teachers, librarians and parents, Archie is an truly inspirational speaker. With years of practical experience behind him he gives ready-to-apply approaches to students and teachers alike.

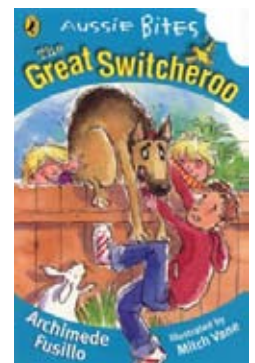
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ARCHIE WILL BE TOURING Tasmanian schools in Term 3 2009. His talks and workshops for upper primary and secondary students are hugely popular right around Australia and he is in high demand as a writer-in-residence. Travelling from Melbourne, the cost of getting to Tasmania is minimal. If your school is considering Archie for a residency in 2009, we strongly suggest contacting us now to pencil in dates as Archie's schedule is filling quickly!

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