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Author Judy Finchler of “Miss Malarkey” fame to visit Vestal Hills Elementary

All students love a good story, and those related to school adventures are especially engaging because students of all ages can relate to them personally. Vestal Hills Elementary is pleased to welcome Judy Finchler, one of the authors of the popular “Miss Malarkey” series of books, as an “author in residence” for the week of October 19. There will be two student assemblies the morning of October 19 at 9:10 a.m. and 10 a.m.

For the remainder of the week, Mrs. Finchler will be working with students in age-appropriate, writing workshops to be held in classrooms or in the library, Room 214.

An author-in-residence program is special to our students because it allows them to get to know the author and experience writing challenges with someone who achieved success after many failures. This is a great life lesson for students to learn as well. Students also have an opportunity to order copies of her latest book, “Congratulations, Miss Malarkey,” which will be delivered in time for the author to autograph.

A retired elementary school teacher and librarian, Mrs. Finchler has coauthored “*Miss Malarkey Doesn’t Live in Room 10*” and “*Testing Miss Malarkey*” among other titles along with author/illustrator Kevin O’Malley.