

WaterWays Day

On Thursday the 16th of March the 5/6's went to Booley Creek- Dip Bridge to learn about sustainability and to learn about being a ResourceSmart school. We travelled by bus and when we finally got to Dip Bridge we went straight into our activities. We went to the bird activity first at the bird hut. We learned about the boobook owl, magpie, fairy tern, penguin and other birds then we had to match the bird to the sounds that were played by the radio and the bell rang to go to the next activity.

At the fish hut we learnt about the types of fish and what you should not throw in the waters. Some of the fish we learnt about were the Murray cod, red fin, rainbow trout, carp and the cat fish. Some of the things you should not do in the waters are don't leave the yabby nets in overnight/make sure the fish are the right size so you can take it home and eat it for dinner (if you want to) and then we went to the cultural awareness.

To learn about the aboriginals and what they use to do the time before the first fleet arrived. First we learnt about how they use to make the boats out of wood they curved a canoe shape out of a tree with a rock. Then we learnt about the animals and where they lived. An example was land, water, wetland and sky. And then we learnt about the rocks they used to grind things with, like making patterns and carving stuff out and how they eat stuff with it was cool.

When we got to the bugs activity the other group was still there, so we had to wait for about 2 minutes. First the man showed us some little branches that had little lumps on them. He told us that inside them there were little bugs and wasps or both. After he showed us the roly-poly's, cockroaches and caterpillars. He had them in a tub with bark on top of them. They crawled all over us. Then he got the spiders out in their plastic tubes. They were awesome.

Then we went to the fire truck. They showed us how to make a safe fire and then we went into the side of the fire truck. We got to ring the siren and talk into the radio which went outside. It was awesome! They showed us when we were allowed to have a fire. We were going to use the fire hoses but they had run out of water.

Finally, we went to the frogs. The lady told us about all the different frogs and their habitats. We had to guess the sounds they made. We all got a card and at

the same time we all made the sound on our cards. We had to find our partners. It was really funny. Then we went and had lunch.

For lunch we had sausages. They were yummy. Once we finished them, most of the girls started jumping over the little green post. It was really tiring. Then we got a group photo. After we all got our fishing rods and went with our schools to go fishing. We all put on our bait and went fishing for an hour and a half. Then a girl from Congupna fell in. It was hilarious. Then we had to go back to school on a bus.

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