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Newsletter

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Autumn has arrived! Though the hot summery days may be around for a little bit longer. We need to still be mindful of the high fire risk in and around our local areas.

Our students performed very well in the Polwarth sports Day! Photos next edition

Lake Corangamite

On Monday the 26th February Mr. Douma, Mr. Bennett, Jesse and I went to Lake Corangamite, the biggest permanent saltwater lake in Australia. Did you know that? We also went to Red Rock and Lake Beeac, which was only salt.



Lake Corangamite was pretty cool because some of the salt looked pink, the water was pretty, and the seaweed looked like spiderwebs with all the salt on them. We walked out to the edge of the lake and Jesse and I sank into the muddy seaweed, and it really smelt so bad. We learnt that people used to swim in the lake, but it has dried up a lot since then. We spent some time drawing of Lake Corangamite, I felt really calm sitting there but the flies were annoying.



So, then we left and went to Red Rock to have a look at the view. It was so cool to have a look at the view and where the volcano was. Jesse and I imagined rolling down it and we'd get really dizzy and sick. Part of me was worried about falling as we walked the steps to get to the top.

Next, we went to Lake Beeac it was fascinating because all the water was dried up and all that was left was the salt at the bottom. We actually went for a walk on it! Jesse and I kept on stepping on all the dried salt. It was amazing to step on it because it crunched under our feet and as we went a bit further out it got a little jiggly, so we turned and came back in to the bank.

Lake Beeac



Finally, we left to have lunch at the playground in Beeac. Jesse and I pushed each other on the swings and then Mr. Douma took Jesse and I to the lolly shop. Jesse and I wanted all the lollies in the lolly shop, but we couldn't get all the lollies in the lolly shop, sadly. Mr. Douma kindly bought us a lolly each which we enjoyed on our way to school.

By Tilly Boyd

The bottomless lakes – all dried up!



MT LEURA

It was a sizzling hot Monday the 19th of February 2024 when Carlisle River Primary scaled the side of Mt Leura. It was around a four-kilometre hike, so we were there for about three hours.



We met a volunteer who took us inside of an education center and told us some very interesting facts about all the plantations, quarries, and regrowth.

First, we went up the lower shelter trail and there were so many grasshoppers that we ran through them because it was satisfying seeing hundreds of them jumping at a time. We saw these weird but pretty butterfly-like creatures too. On the southern trail we

walked around Mt Sugarloaf, and were able to see Cobden & Camperdown,

After a long, hot and extremely tiring hike we did it, we made it to the top, we were so proud of ourselves that we kept pushing forward and made it. We could see Lake Corangamite and Mount Elephant, the view was stunning.



Finally, as we were walking down the panorama circuit, we saw an itty-bitty skink that was sun baking while he had the time. We walked back down to the lower shelter trail and went back the way we came.

We were so hot and bothered and extremely hungry, so we ate lunch as soon as we got back. Tilly and I had a little bit of fun as she was so called 'microwaving' her pancake, while all she was really doing was putting it in the sun.

We hopped on the bus, glad for the air conditioning and returned to Carlisle River Primary School.

From Jesse W

Mt Leura



SCHOOL DIARY

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
4 th Triplet Falls excursion	5 th	6 th Mr Douma Principal meeting Geelong	7 th LIBRARY VAN	8 th		
11 th Labour Day Public Holiday	12 th Lake Elizabeth excursion	13 th Naplan Tests Grades 3 & 5	14 th ART VAN Naplan Tests Grades 3 & 5	15 th Naplan Tests Grades 3 & 5	16 th KANA Festival	
18 th	19 th Mr Douma Principal conference	20 th Mr Douma Principal conference Wilbur the Optical Whale @ COPACC	21 st LIBRARY VAN	22 nd Mt Elephant excursion		
25 th Stevenson Falls excursion	26 th	27 th School council AGM & general meeting	28 th ART VAN Last Day term 1	29 th Good Friday		