

THE GRADE 5, 6 MELBOURNE WALK EXCURSION

On the 15th of July, the Grade 5 and 6 students attended a Melbourne Walk excursion. During Term 2, students have been learning about Australian History with a focus on Discovery of Australia (Gr 5) and Federation (Gr 6). We attended a Walking Tour around Melbourne learning about what it was like when explorers discovered Australia and how Federation came about. We also learnt about the impact this had on the Indigenous people.

Also, as part of DCC's NAIDOC week focus, we went of an Aboriginal art walk through Birrarung Marr.



On 15th of July, the Grade 5s and 6s went on an excursion to the city! We had learnt a lot and did a lot, such as the sculptures and my favourite one was the drawing, as it was very creative. We also went on a tour with our guide, Lenny, he had taught us many things about the explorers in the past. We had a lot of fun and I am sure everyone's favourite part was the tour because I had a lot of fun during it. We learnt about the food they ate and why certain places are called that. Such as the 'Yarra River' means Water River which is a suitable name for it. - Aanya 5C

My favourite part is going on The Walker Bridge because I got to learn about the Yarra River and why it is so brown and yuck. - Maria 5C.



My favourite part of the tour would definitely be the scavenger hunt-like activity where we had a list of 'landmarks' to find. These 'landmarks' would be sculptures, aboriginal artworks or maybe just some really tall bells. If I remember correctly, the first landmark we found was a carving of patterns on some cement. It reminded me of some hieroglyphs, except more modern and less messy. Next to that were these shield-like sculptures with patterns on it. We had no idea what it was. We found a huge sculpture called 'Angel'. After that, we went up some stairs to find a lot of bells. I didn't really read what they were used for, but I think it was about making harmonic sounds with the bells. In other words: To play a song. The bells were on really tall poles, and trust me, they were tall! There were about twenty of them, and they towered over everything! It was a sight to behold. I liked this part of the tour because our own curiosity led us to find these! Although we didn't find all of them, it felt like we had achieved our knowledge, and that we deserved to know all this. - Aaron 5A

