

# 5/6 Camp by Ryley

On the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2023 I woke up early to get ready for the day because today I was going to camp in sovereign hill. It was 5/6 camp with the teachers and some parent helpers. I had breakfast, got changed and left to school at around 8:30am. I got to school, handed in my wallet, and medication said goodbye to my mum and left for Ballarat at around 9:40am. The drive was going smoothly, and then we stopped at a park in Melton to have a play, have snack and go to the toilet. We got back on the bus and set back on the road to Ballarat.

When we got into Ballarat an hour after we left Melton and we went to the eureka centre. We had some lunch then we partnered up, I had partner up with Sophia, then we went in to the eureka centre. We got an iPad with different characters on them, me and Sophia got Richard Ireland who was a lawyer during the Eureka stockade. We walked around and learnt about our character then saw the real Eureka flag. Yet again we got back on the bus and went straight to sovereign hill.

When we got to sovereign hill we dumped our bags at the place we were staying, in the northern barracks. Then we walked down to sovereign hill in our activity group and did the labyrinth mine tour. Later after the mine tour we had some free time in sovereign hill. After the free time we went to our cabin with Harley, Isaac, Luca, Franklin, Angus and Alfie.

Later that night we went to the aura light and sound show. It was very cool we saw a 3D movie, an aboriginal story and the story of the eureka stockade. We got back, had supper and I got to sleep at around 2:00am.

I woke the next morning and went to breakfast. We got back to our cabins and got changed into the shoes and socks we needed to wear

for the 1854 school, I was in Wesliarn. We walked to the in between room and got changed in to our 1850's clothes and went to the school. The teacher was very strict at Wesliarn and I assumed that it was the same at the other schools, the other schools were Redhill and St Peters. We learnt a weird style of writing called copperplate, it was hard. A prospector came and showed around sovereign hill. After that we spent a bit more time at the school then went back to the in between room, got changed back to our normal clothes and had some free time and also did the Redhill mine tour. Later that night after dinner we went to a pantomime show which was hilarious then went back to our rooms and I got to sleep at around 9:30pm.

I woke up in the morning refreshed, to pack our bags to put them with the girl's cabins and went to breakfast. After breakfast we went back to the in between room, changed back in our olden day clothes quickly because today we had school photos. After the school photos we went to a gold pour which was really cool. Then we went back to the school and wrote with pen and ink, it was cool and hard. Then we went down hill to do some gold panning. We finished the school and had a bit more free time before we got back on the bus. We finally got back on the bus and went non-stop to home. I would defiantly go back to sovereign-hill.