

Year 4 Dubbo Excursion



Last Wednesday, bright and early Year 4 headed off on their first overnight excursion to Dubbo. After a long bus trip filled with lots of talking and singing, we arrived at the Wellington Caves. We climbed 300 steps down into the Cathedral Cave, a limestone cave that has a limestone and crystal formation reaching a staggering 15 meters in height. Our guide, Paul, turned the lights off on us, which made everyone jump! We also had a try at digging for and discovering fossils and identifying what there were. After a short bus ride into

Dubbo, we settled into our accomodation and the teachers tried to get us to have an early night!

We awoke to sounds of feet running up and down the steps in our bunkhouse, bleary-eyed, everyone enjoyed a full cooked breakfast and were eager to get our day started. Day Two started with a visit to a ninja warrior park to burn some energy before we visited the Western Plains Cultural Centre. After a wander through the Art Gallery and Museum, we headed off to the Japanese Gardens and Adventure Playground. The Royal Flying Doctors Visitor Centre was next. We learnt about how the RFDS helps people all around Australia and we got to go into a replica plane. After spending all our money in the gift shop, it was time to visit the Old Dubbo Gaol. The Gaol was a little bit scary for some, but most enjoyed hearing about how prisoners were treated, what they ate and the work they had to perform. After a huge day, we headed back to our accommodation to have dinner and get ready for Ten-Pin Bowling.



It was very hard to wake up on Friday morning. We packed our bags and got on the bus ready to explore the Taronga Western Plains Zoo. We hated having to walk around the zoo while the teachers took turns driving the buggy, but we did love seeing all the animals and learning about them, for our guide, Kate. Next time we need enough buggies for everyone! It was time to head home after the zoo. We had a great three days away and we can't wait for Sydney in Year 5.