

by Shakked

## 5/6 camp :)

On the 26th of April 2023 I left for school camp at Sovereign Hill. When I arrived at school I put my suitcase away in the gym and went to hang out with Stella and Lillie. After a long time of waiting for the bus it finally came and we left for camp. On the bus I sat next to Fern and across from Lillie and Lainey. On the bus we played games and talked but after an hour we finally stopped for snack which was very refreshing. Another hour of being stuck on a bus with a weird movie and a cat we finally stopped for lunch at the Eredua centre. At the centre we saw the flag and had a fun quiz.

When we finally got to Sovereign Hill we got split into groups and went with our group for some free time. My group went to the shops and I got some sour grape drops and lavender bath salt. After my group finished shopping we went to the gold panning river and Lucy found some gold in the first 10 minutes! After the gold panning we went on a short mine tour which I really enjoyed. After we finished our free time and gold tour we went to have a dinner of curry and rice. Dinner was really funny and after we finished we found out the cabins! I was with Lillie, Lucy, Lainey, Leah, Sophia, Tilly, Fern, Mila and Pippa. After we finished unpacking and finding our beds we left to see the light and sound show. It was super cool and my favourite part was the burning hotel.

On the second morning we had to wake up at 6:45! But after quickly getting ready and braiding each others hair we left for breakfast and costumed school! When we got to costumed school. In the costumed schools the girls wore old fashioned dresses, a white robe apron, medium sized white pants, long white socks, black shoes and jumper cloak which was my favourite. The boys wore pantaloons, a casual shirt, black or brown boots, chimney hats, scarfs and button up jackets. I was in red hill school with my friends Lillie, Lainey and Fern. In school we got the rules explained by Ma'am (our teacher) and we practised our handwriting, maths and a poem she taught us. After a bit of learning we got outside to play for recess. I played with the skip rope and used the rhyme we learned which went like apples, pears, peaches, plums tell me when your birthday comes. For lunch we had sausage rolls and chips. When we went back to red hill school we learned how to sew a bookmark and our 17x tables. When the schooling experience finished we had some free time, plus another mine tour. At dinner we had spaghetti and cake.

The next morning we packed our suitcases and put our hair in plaits and left for breakfast. When we got to our costumed school we finished our sewing, practiced the poem and our time tables. Then the inspector came and we had to preform our poem and times tables in front of him!!! He told Lainey off for counting to much and he told Jake off for playing skip rope with the girls. Then we had lunch, we had sandwiches and chips. Then, with our school, we went to the gold pouring show, a tour of the park and went to see the red coats shoot their guns. When we got back we had a bit more school activities and then we left the schooling experience for the last time. After we change out of our costumes we had a bit of free time where

we went to the shops and a did a bit more gold panning. We finished free time and went to get our suitcases. We went on the bus home, I sat with Lainey across from Lillie and Harley. When I got home I took my suitcase and went to meet my mum. I said goodbye to my friends and left back home. i had Indian food for dinner!

**The End!**