

# Merricks Camp Recount



I couldn't wait for Merricks as soon as I woke up (6:30am) I straight away put my clothes on. When I went to school I was super excited! As we left on the bus, I sat at the back which I regret...

When we arrived at Merricks we went to the cabins. When I stepped forward into my cabin it smelt very disgusting as if someone had threw up and they had not bothered to clean it up. On the other hand though where we staying was nice. On the first day we went into the pool to practise for snorkelling. The pool was a jelly bean shaped pool and was cooler than, let's say 19 degrees celsius.

Shortly after that we went tree climbing. I climbed to the top of a 20 metre tree the view was pretty good. I could

see all of the valleys near Merricks. For dinner we had pumpkin soup and pasta

On day 2,

We went to Rye beach which was beautiful. The water was clear blue. When went snorkelling under the pier we saw puffer fish, stingrays, crabs and numerous other living animals. Next we did beach games (that did not end up being beach games). We went for a walk and got some fish and chips. Kayaking was fun was fun, even considering the fact I had Seb who was a beginner at kayaking who fell off a few times. When we got back to camp my legs were hurting like hell. We had tomato soup and chicken drumsticks for dinner.

On day 3, we first of all went surfing down at Shoreham foreshore on the Mornington Peninsula. We wore special boots because we surfed on rocks. Some of the waves were decent. Some, not so much. Shoreham was good but I honestly preferred Rye beach. Shoreham had lots of seaweed.

On day 4, we went down to Pt Leo to do surfing. At the beach there was really good waves and in the future I would hopefully like to go back down there. There were activities we had to do but it was the most fun body surfing waves to shore. We were also allowed to go out quite deep too, which was cool. Finally we went back to the bus. Our bus was almost like business class compared with the year 6's average bus. It was fine except ours was a lot better. Overall I recommend Merricks Camp to ages 10 to 15. Thank You St James for Merricks camp !



