



THE JABIRU DAILY NEWS

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YARRAMUNDI NSW*

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Group 1:

Group 1 had a fabulous day, they splashed in the water at the slip and slide, made great face clay for the trees and tie dyed their own Camp Jabiru T-shirt! Thomas and Layla enjoyed playing around the water table together while actively including each other. Suavah also enjoyed water activities and made an awesome face mask for his tree. Matty thoroughly enjoyed going 'in and out' and 'up and down' during free play on the seesaw with therapists. All campers loved performing with their puppets and took turns using the different characters. We look forward to seeing all their smiley faces tomorrow!

Group 2:

Day Two was lots of fun and new experiences. Coen loved the giant bubble play, blowing up huge bubbles. Leo and Samuel thoroughly enjoyed spraying everyone with the water guns. Lucas loved the soapy water in the shell pit. Pranav had a great time playing hide and seek with Leo and Coen. Leon, the expert dinosaur hunter, shared all his dinosaur knowledge with us. Another great at camp. We will see you for another adventure packed day tomorrow!

Group 3:

The group had lots of fun on day two. The group started with ride on cars. Patrick and Jack had fun racing each other around the track. Jacob had lots of fun making bubbles with his peers. The group then moved on to the mud kitchen. Liam P and Declan enjoyed pretending to make food with mud. Cade had a water fight with peers. During free play, Oliver played a musical game with sticks. Liam A had lots of fun playing soccer. Dustin loved jumping into crash mats and exploring nature.

The group had a great time today. We look forward to day three!

Group 4:

The Purple Monkeys were very active today! Christopher explored rocks on the nature walk with Izzabella, chatted with William at morning tea, played bubbles with Abdurrahman and raced River, Michael, Alannah and TJ on the ride on cars. Charlotte sped really fast like she was in a Lamborghini! Charlotte enjoyed drawing with Christopher and Alannah, and was able share with Abdurrahman. Abdurrahman showed his strong muscles with the boys lifting bamboo, was wrapped in tubing by TJ and River and took turns pushing Michael on the ride on cars. River, TJ, Michael, William, Alannah and Izzabella conquered the rock-climbing wall, with Izzabella and TJ bravely climbing all the way to the top! Izzabella also showed her assertiveness refereeing a game of soccer between TJ and River. William used great imagination during loose parts play with his peers and loved the obstacle course which was also a favourite for Alannah. We will see some swinging and creative monkeys tomorrow!

Group 5:

On day 2, our adventure continued! Today, we had some special guests spending time with our group and helping us out with activities (Jabiru 2.0). They read us "Giraffes Can't Dance," and it inspired us to have a dance party! At our base this morning, Finn and Charlie showed their creative side by constructing a farm with all the animals and Harrison was the ultimate bubble blower! A bit later, we searched the camp grounds for materials to build our boats. We have some good builders in the group, but will those boats float? We will get back to you on Thursday once we test them! Indiana, Evie and Lucas were a stellar building team, with the help of Chase from 2.0! This afternoon we put our courage to the test. Some of our friends were a little nervous but their braveness shone through - Noah, James, and Parker soared high in the trees! What will we get up to tomorrow?!

Group 6:

Day 2 at camp was another fun-filled day, with friendships blossoming beautifully. We kicked things off with caving, where Ava P, Ava T, Charlie, Levi, Logan, Mackenzie, and Solomon showed their bravery, tackling caves from easy to hard. While the rest explored, Zackson and Solomon enjoyed a game of tic tac toe. Creativity flowed back at base with our handmade paint brushes and paintings on butcher's paper. Adam and Ava T bonded over pop the pig and UNO in the tent. Lunchtime brought damper making at the fire, where every camper engaged and conquered their fears. A touching moment came when Solomon shared his damper with a friend who lost hers in the fire. We cooled off in the afternoon with the water slide—cheers to those who braved the water despite their reservations! After a lively day, we're eager to see what Day 3 brings!

Group 7:

Group 7 had a big day packed with exciting activities. We started the day with loose parts play, where everyone showed their imagination. Bailey, Murphy and Michael were protecting their castle as the Three Musketeers with their pool noodles. Naomi and Nuvairah had a great time making an obstacle course together. William and Jack showed great confidence and courage when going through the cave mazes. Lulu and Naomi demonstrated amazing strength when they were on the low ropes course. The group finished the day with tie-dyeing our camp t-shirts. We are looking forward to all the fun activities tomorrow!

Group 8:

Hi Blue Panda families! Another great day with our campers. We spent a lot of time out and about exploring the sites of camp today. We started off with mud kitchen which was a huge hit. No one got away without mud splattered somewhere on their body. Harper and Ethan enjoyed making potions with all sorts of natural ingredients. Blue Pandas showed us all how brave they are on the giant swing and high ropes. Oliver overcame his fears and completed the whole high ropes course. Many of the campers demonstrated bravery and determination navigating the high ropes course today. Theo and Peter were hammock buddies today, lots of laughter and cheeky smiles from the boys in the hammock. Sammy and Zoe also enjoyed time together in the hammock demonstrating epic imagination skills as they shared their journey through space in a spaceship. Tyla and Zoe also engaged in some great play pretending to be horses and chased each other around. Singing, playfulness, and a little crazy brought the group together at the end of the day when Nicole led the peanut butter in a cup song.

Group 9:

Another wonderful day spent at Camp Jabiru for group 9. We started our day at the flying fox where Samuel and Seth climbed the ladder three times each before taking a leap of faith with big smiles on their faces. We then made our own lunch of nachos over a campfire. Jaiman and Hendrix were keen to get their hands dirty, cooking up a storm. After lunch we made our way to caving where John and Max led the way. Caving was another fan favourite giving the boys a chance to explore with torches working as a team supporting each other. Kyron, Matthew, and Arlo were being creative, coming up with ideas and more challenges in the cave. Lastly after dinner, we finished the day with another cosy campfire. Dane even stood up in front of all the campers and told a joke, that filled the room with laughter. Overall we had another successful day, and continue to build our group connections.

Group 10:

The Bats started their day on the oval with some swinging and movement activities to set us up for the big day ahead! Tyler and Boston worked together to create a stick tipi. The first planned activity for the day was high ropes. Bailey, Liam, and Tyler flew through the ropes course. All of the boys were supportive and encouraged each other throughout the course. Finn even got to battle against one of the OT students in a game of gladiator while at heights, with Finn coming away as the champion. All of the boys conquered the flying fox, with Thomas, Heath and Duke flying quickest through the air. Julian, Boston and Archer worked together to create and defend their kingdom in loose parts play, while others enjoyed a kids vs. adults swordfight. The boys finished the day with a yummy dinner and campfire to round out an epic day 2 of camp!

Group 11:

Group 11 kicked off the day with a team morning bootcamp. The boys worked in pairs to complete challenges and get set for the day. Kai, Matthew and Brody conquered the giant swing. After lunch, Patrick, Daniel and Finn raced through the tunnels at caving, this activity was a favourite amongst the whole group. At our last activity, Jack, Julian and Cooper worked together to build a tree swing using pieces of wood and rope while the rest of the group worked on building a wooden shelter. At campfire, Jonah got up on stage and told a joke to everyone at camp that had everyone laughing!

Group 12:

After a big sleep The Pink Wild Spirits arose excited and energised for the day! Day 2 commenced with some water fun! Grace and Caitlyn showed us how fast they could slip down the slide, whilst Elyse began a water fight with our friends in Group 13. Next up Neve and Ashlee opened a spa at the Mud Kitchen, providing mud treatments for themselves and the group. Inara led the team in some camp songs, as we explored camp looking for flat Jabbies. The group showed great teamwork in the shelter budding activity, breaking up into two teams! Team 1 Elyse, Ashlee, Grace, Anastasia, and Inara. Team 2 Neve, Caitlyn, Ruby, Simone, and Angelina. On the Low Ropes course Anastasia and Angelina supported and encouraged each other through. The Pink Wild Spirits had a great time at campfire singing the songs and having a dance. Can't wait to see what day 3 brings for The Pink Wild Spirits!

Group 13

We have loved seeing friendships blossom today! Our day started with an epic water fight and slip and slide. Zoe and Mia loved getting wet and sliding down the slide! We had some quick showers and relaxed in the morning sun playing card games and lycra activities. Georgia and Lillian loved learning about a new game called Ninja moving super speedy to avoid the Ninja attacks! We made some bush wands and wind catchers and Sarah loved getting creative with nature. After lunch we spent some time on the oval at loose parts play. Kloe and Amelia R then hunted to find the Flat Jabbies whilst Amelia H organised a fun cat walk performance with some of the leaders! We finished the night sharing more wins of each of the team members at our 'Yasified Lavender Flower Ceremony'.

Jabiru 2.0

Today was an amazing day. Hannah and Lillian went to read a book to Group 5 and that book was called Giraffes can't dance. Harvey, Nakia, Bec, Lillian and Rosie went with Group 8 to the giant swing, and pulled the rope to help people get to the top of the swing. Some went on the giant swing themselves. Chase, Archie and Tadhg went and helped group 5 at the Mud Kitchen making boats out of natural resources. After lunch, Jabiru 2.0 spent some free time, where we got to apply fake tattoos, and makeup to others. After our free time, we adventured to the flying fox, where Lillian and Nakia explained to everyone what to do with flying fox, how the harnesses worked and how they attach to one another. Xavier volunteered and was the first one to go on the flying fox, and he did a great job. Written by Lillian.