



THE JABIRU DAILY NEWS

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Group 1:

Group 1 thrived with each activity today. The team spent the day completing an obstacle course, flying high on the giant swing then sharing their play ideas together. We were so impressed with everyone on the giant swing working together, Noah took 3 turns and shared his joy with his friends. TJ used his creativity to build and share his obstacle course at reverse garbage with Curtis and River. Indiana and Liam played together on the swings. It has been a pleasure watching the budding relationships form and can't wait for tomorrow!

Group 3: The bridge is open, the sun is shining and our whole is team together! Day three was all about friendship. It was delightful watching Zackson and Mackenzie explore the muddy puddles getting mucky and imaginative all at once. Flynn really immersed himself in flying his glider plane, and inviting Oliver to share the fun. Before long both boys were chasing planes and tumbling all over the place. During our water fight it was delightful to see Isabelle's 'kid power' emerge with some silly/cheeky splashing of leaders. Ava and Sammie showed us all what it means to be a friend helping and encouraging each other on the obstacle course. Super star Daniel was today's social butterfly, seeking to join his friends in all activities and leading us in a song at our 'campfire'. Campfire was also a wonderful moment for Matilda who quickly jumped into learning our team songs and showing off her dance moves. We cannot wait to see what fun adventures day four bring.

Group 4: Day 3 was another hit for The Super Amazing Purple group, and we were so happy to welcome our final group member, Dominic! Dominic relaxed into the group, and it felt like he had been here from the beginning. First, morning circle and story followed by a craft activity and nature play. After making their very hungry caterpillars together Eshal and Rosie played on the logs. Darcy helped her friends find a safe place for their caterpillars and went to play with Zoe and Peter by the stream. Everyone really enjoyed being together in nature with lots of smiling faces. This afternoon the main event was the Giant Swing! First up was Levi, he swung from close to the top and shortly after proclaimed it was "Just the right of amazing". Peter shone when Charlie asked for his support on the giant swing, giving him an encouraging pep talk. Darcy was another fantastic encourager of her friends when they were nervous, when it was her turn she was so brave, choosing to be pulled right to the top and then lowered back down rather than swinging. Numair delighted everyone with his bravery when he conquered the giant swing pulling his release rope at the end of his count down. Everyone was so happy when Rosie braved the swing too with a huge smile. We can't wait to see what day 4 has in stall for this very special, super, amazing group!

Group 5: Day 3, WOW, the kids have been amazing; conquering all sorts of fears and goals, making friendships, and most importantly having fun. Today consisted of water activities, tie dying t-shirts, creative play, and low ropes with many other activities in between. Throughout the water play, Nuvairah and Tyla bonded well on the slip n slide by sharing the tube and encouraging one another, followed by an echo of giggles. Harper showed amazing creativity, by using his imagination to create a game where he used his water gun to shoot the bubbles being blown by a fellow friend, aiming to pop as many as he could. With all of group 5 demonstrating their artistic skills with tie dying, Seth in particular showed intense focus and concentration; he checked over his artwork ensuring he used a range of colours. During the low ropes obstacle course Max demonstrated speed and athleticism racing over the course, lapping the other children with minimal effort. Hendrix demonstrated an improvement in strength and balance after his amazing effort of completing three laps of the low ropes course, and on his last lap he did not fall and touch the ground. Murphy demonstrated patience and strong leadership skills while waiting for the slip n slide, he stepped in with his friends and directed for a queue for the slide, so everyone was able to have a turn in a fair manner. Day 3 was a fantastic day, with many of the children tired after a few big days, they all engaged with the activities whilst having fun and demonstrating new skills!

Group 6:

Day 3 at Camp Jabiru!! First up was straight into caving with our little team. The kids were so brave concurring their worries. In the end we had lots of volunteers wanting to go first. Eli, Henry and Anastasia did a wonderful group of negotiating turn taking. It was really lovely to see Anastasia and Archer taking on big helper roles of supporting their friends throughout the tight spaces. Sam was such a champion doing the cave multiple times and having a blast. It was Adam's moment to shine during waterplay. The gleam in his eye was infectious to all those around him. Our little team had a well-deserved slow afternoon of story time and rhythms, Dane showed great enthusiasm sharing his ideas about the characters adventures. Rest up little team, we've got day 4 tomorrow and we are so excited to see all your beautiful faces!!

Group 7:

Day 3 was so much fun! Boston and Angelina teamed up on the nature scavenger hunt, working amazingly together to find all the items. Neve was so kind in sharing all of her special spotted rocks she found to her friends. During our laser obstacle course, Indiana was eager to go first even when it got harder and harder! *Everyone* went on the giant swing, they were all so brave! Jet, Sebastian, Noah, Matthew, and Angelina went twice on the giant swing, all of them going even further on their second go. Everyone in the group was encouraging one another especially when anyone felt scared or nervous. We are so proud of Group 7!

Group 8:

Despite a round of Rapid Antigen Test's this morning, the Blueberry Whales Sailing in the Salty Seas have had the best day! We started off at the Flying Fox. Nicholas was a superstar going up and down the ladder on multiple occasions and being a great support for his friends. Liam showed real bravery having a go despite it being very high. While Levi, Lillian, Simone and Ashlee rode with flare. Next up we headed over to reverse garbage. It was lovely to see everyone working together to build and create amazing structures and games with a range of odds and ends while working in teams. Some of my favourites were Ruby's art installation and Thomas' general store. We ended the day with caving. Isla was impressive in how she manoeuvred through the challenging caves. Meanwhile, Duke made sure that all his friends got through both beginner and difficult courses safely with his no-man-left-behind approach. Tomorrow promises to be even better – we are so excited to have a sleepover with all our new friends!

Group 9:

The positivity of the Super Mario Parties continued into day three. The first activity was the orienteering where the boys all worked in smaller groups to find the hidden pictures. Following this, Patrick and Julian acknowledged each other's strengths that lead them to success. Next was the reverse garbage again where Liam, Isaiah, Flynn, Bailey, Julian and Archer were especially excited for a pool noodle rematch, assigning different roles to their teammates. After lunch, the group spent some more time at the natural playground where Preston joined with his friends on the giant seesaw, and provided music throughout the day on the kazoo. Matthew also enjoyed the nature terrariums the most, telling cool facts along the way. Archer and Patrick's sharing of jokes also livened the day. Again, bravery was displayed again with Peter, Liam, Bailey, Isaiah, Julian, and Matthew each climbing up high on the Crate Stack activity. Them and their friends worked together to help build the towers up and cheer each other on.

Group 10:

What an incredible day we had today! It was a lot of walking around camp, so Jack and William worked together to find a suitable bush walking stick to help them navigate the muddy paths. We started off at the crate stack where the Cheesy Devils worked together as a team to get our peers to climb as high as they can! Archie, Liam H and Ashton did an amazing job of helping their team out and attempting to climb as high as they can on the crates! Liam C helped make rules for our pool noodle games at reverse garbage! Everyone got involved in the game and huddling around each other when each round finished. We also dyed our camp shirts today and it was amazing to see so many creative kids in the group, including Blaine who went all in using as many colours as possible to make a rainbow shirt! Alpine rescue tested the group with their problem solving and teamwork abilities. It was great to see so many of the team members, including Fin, Kai and Chase helping their team members when situations became tricky and supporting others throughout. See you soon! – Love the Cheesy Devils

Group 11:

A huge congratulations to all members of the silver back gorillas as they all conquered the high ropes! However a huge congratulations to Harvey, Will, Jack and Tadhg for smashing the most challenging course jabiru has to offer!

Aayan, Tristan and Tadhg ended the day today sharing an awesome interaction playing 'random drop ball' as the sun set over camp jabiru.

Alex, Jack and Tadhg broadened their social horizons today and showed shared interests while playing in the Lycra cloud.

Josh, James and Rory all put their nerves aside and made some new friends with their cabin neighbors playing piggy in the middle!

Today's very important primate was Jack! Thanks for your great leadership skills on the tight ropes!

Farewell for day 3, see you soon!

Group 12:

The mighty pink flamingos have had another fantastic, exciting day! With the giant swing and the high ropes course highlighting all the girl's bravery and cheerleading abilities! Maddy, Alexis and Sam went all the way to the top of the giant swing! The team even encouraged an adult to go all the way to the top! Sarah was the first person to find the flat jabby today and was excited to let her fellow campers know. We opened a beauty salon during the day, the word got out and campers from other groups came too. Imogen was an expert nail artist; Sienna showed her skills of braiding and Zoe was an amazing masseuse! Aamna and Amelia conquered fears at the high ropes course. At campfire Kiara started the jokes with her amazing talents of ventriloquism. We can't wait to see what tomorrow brings! Love the mighty pink flamingos.

Group 13

Today the purple penguins really cemented how well penguins stay together as we got to know other sides of our friends. Mia took special care to tie-dye her shirt in beautiful colours. Rosie and Bonnie showed how well the purple penguins can slide as they flew their way down the slip and slide. Paige took on the role of the water pistol to spray the group with water. Lillian, Amelia, and Nakia worked together through the low ropes, ensuring they guided each other to safety and success. Lauren, Hannah, and Madeline showed off their strengths with their wrestling skills. Together the group sat down to complete scarp booking where we got to chat with each other about our families, friends and pets. We can't wait to see what day 4 brings!

Jabiru 2.0

Collectively as a group our favourite part of the day was painting our hands on the tube in alpine rescue. This was important because the future Jabiru 2.0 can add their hands and continue the legacy. Something interesting that happened was the day spa that group 12 were doing, and Hadrian and Eli attended and got their nails painted, had a massage and a face mask. They described it as very relaxing and 5/5 for service. Molly enjoys the dancing and the music we get to experience whilst doing our daily tasks. Declan really liked the tie dye as this is an important tradition in the Jabiru community. Scott learned lots of new things today and enjoyed messing around the cabins with his mates. The girls collectively enjoyed bonding and sharing time together. Lillian said her favourite part was having her hair brushed as this was a very relaxing experience. Katie was super brave and gave out a badge even though she doesn't like the attention and it made her nervous. I was proud of my friend for doing this. Matilda loved sharing her memories and imprinting her hand on the tunnel at alpine rescue. This was an emotional activity for her as well as her peers. Matthew and Declan worked well in a team playing pac-man tips and set an astonishing record for fastest time.