



THE JABIRU DAILY NEWS

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Group 1:

To kick off our fun filled day today the group had a go on the giant swing! Riley was super strong on the pulley, he and his teammates helped pull Flynn up high to make the leap of faith and swing into the trees. Next, we moved onto the 'reverse garbage' site, where imaginations could go wild. Abel found many different barrels and boxes to stack on each other, being careful not to topple them over! Meanwhile, Brodie explored the small spaces and was a great protector from the bad guys in our games, making sure everyone was safe! In our time back at the camp site, Mackenzie and Isabelle played pretend together, being mummies to two beautiful babies and singing in the kitchen "making coffee la la la laa". We are eager for our water games tomorrow!!

Group 2:

Welcome to day three of camp. Today the green dinosaurs had a fantastic day trying lots of new things. Everyone had so much fun making bubble snakes, playing on the oval on the swings and the tunnel. While Seth and Miles enjoyed exploring the surrounding bush as well. We also made gooey wombat stew and had some water play with bubbles and water pistols which Max and Ethan especially enjoyed. Afterwards Kendelle, Tyla, Ava and Nuvairah had fun playing big bad wolf chasey back at base camp. Ava, Seth, Ethan, Miles and Max also enjoyed taking photos on the digital camera throughout the day. We then went up to the slip and slide and used shaving cream and boogie boards to play with. Tyla and Kendelle formed a great friendship today by looking after each other when something confronted them and they were unsure. Harper loved placing stickers of bugs and animals in his new Camp Jabiru craft book and Seth enjoyed stamping his name into his book too!

Group 3:

Our Racing Red Rabbits warmed up their bodies for a big day of outdoor activities with a game of Simon Says. We then balanced, crawled and stretched our way around the low ropes course. The friendships that we've built over the last few days were evident from our awesome teamwork. Ethan and Ashlee held hands to support each other throughout the course and Neve was very good at taking turns to let other explorers past. Hudson was a very fast horse on the way to reverse garbage. Boston busted all the ghosts with his trusty equipment that he put together. We all sprayed our tie-dye t-shirts with lots of different colours. We built and decorated a cubby house from big cardboard boxes. In the cubby, Nicko served everyone pizza and Hudson installed a toilet for everyone to use. At the flying fox, everyone demonstrated their bravery by giving it a red hot go. Our big day of adventure finished with everyone having a turn to make some super big bubbles and then animal yoga.

Group 4:

Today group 4 conquered two of the scariest activities, the giant swing and the flying fox! Anastasia was super brave and went to the highest level on the giant swing, impressing the whole group. Eli continued to demonstrate even more bravery by participating and assisting with the giant swing. Elyse did extremely well in the flying fox and sharing her coping strategies with the team. On the swing set, Adam really enjoyed spinning around really fast and spending quality time with his friends. Elijah loved water play, making jelly fishes from gloves and having imaginary cups of tea. Hide and seek was the game of the day for Ethan, playing with all of his new friends. Heath was one of the first ones to tie dye his Camp Jabiru shirt in a very exciting activity for everyone involved!

Group 5:

The 'Orange goldfish tank' group started their day getting wet during water play. This was followed by the creation of their tie-dye t-shirts and the challenge of the high ropes.

The whole group joined in on the water fights, with many water duels between Adyan and Flynn. Bailey was especially proud of his ability to complete the high ropes course without falling off. Duke also achieved his goal of climbing to the top of the high ropes ladder. Ruby also braved her fears and exceeded her expectations on the ropes course.

Joey and Thomas K. are officially friends, having spent the afternoon chatting and connecting. Isla, Indiana, Ruby and Thomas K. decorated our home base path with doodles of rainbows and people, while Flynn, Tom C. and Bailey worked together building a home for their animal friends.

The group are looking forward to seeing our tie-dyeing t-shirts later this week.

Group 6:

We all had a fun sleepover last night! After a big breakfast we did some animal walking relays while Flynn, Tyler and Daniel showed off their skills with ball games. We then returned to the caves where we all worked really well as a team and supported each other to complete the course. Matthew and Tyler successfully completed the course while braving the dark with no torch. Meanwhile Madelyn, Brody and Flynn raced each other and completed the course in record time. After lunch we all had lots of outdoor fun and this environment facilitated the kids to initiate play in a creative manner on the slip n slide, playing twister and competing in noodle fights. Liam enjoyed engaging with his mates during twister and guided the group by rolling the dice and having a laugh! Alexis assisted therapists and ensured our tie dye shirts were rinsed and prepared to be washed tomorrow before wearing home on Friday. Zoe always ensured that our team was on the look out for flat jabbies and is always the first to give complements to her friends during circle time.

Group 7:

The Light Blue Peacocks came into camp buzzing and excited for the big sleepover tonight! The daily schedule was jam packed with rock climbing, the giant swing, the camp fire and then finally sleeping over in our Koala and Kingfisher cabins. In our Koala cabin we had Patrick, Matthew, Julian and Brody. And in the Kingfisher cabin we had Zarif, Rylan, Isaiah and Joel.

We began the day with the parachute on the oval. We played a game called shark and fish and we had Julian being a very speedy fish during his turn and Isaiah being very stealthy when hiding from the sharks.

On the rock climbing we had many people push their limits and reach their goals that we set prior to the climb. Joel was a fantastic demonstrator showing everyone how he bravely climbed all the way to the top and rang the bell when he got there. Everyone showed a lot of courage and persistence when climbing the wall on great teamwork whilst in the belay team, with Rylan always watching his peers closely and making sure there was no slack in the ropes.

Next was the giant swing we had so many brave campers go all the way to the top. Matthew pushed

himself out of his comfort zone and was very happy with himself for going further than his goal on the swing.

Whilst at the campfire we had three very daring campers, Patrick, Zarif and Brody, get up in front of the whole of Camp Jabiru to tell a joke each and had the whole group laughing.

Group 8:

We had another blast today with activities including the flying fox, rock climbing, movement activities at reverse garbage, creating a team flag and telling jokes at campfire. Angus made it to the top of the rock climbing wall. Liam V created friendships with peers and joined the group telling jokes at campfire. Sam made his own face painting station for everyone to share. Hunter and Lincoln joined in on the campfire songs. Ethan told some funny jokes to the whole of camp, at campfire time. Rowan was an amazing helper running the rope back and forth for the flying fox. Liam H joined in on the giant noodle fight with a noodle and a shield. Harley had a great time on the scooter board, even pulling a leader back up the hill! Fin climbed to the top of the platform at the flying fox and had a great from such a height!

Group 9:

Today was an action packed day for the M&Ms! We kicked the day off with abseiling off a 3m rock! Liam awarded Nate the 'bravery shield' today after he braved his fears and conquered the abseiling activity. Archie and Isaac showed how brave they both were when they achieved their personal goals of heights at abseiling! Isaac won the ultimate game of Ga Ga ball against leaders, taking the win in the last second remaining.

Nate also awarded Rory the 'bravery shield' for completing the caves with no torch!! William, Alex and Rory showed their amazing teamwork and communication skills to get through the caving mazes. Chase and Josh channelled their inner creativity while tie dying their camp t-shirts. Liam was very eager and willing to be the first M&M to face the mighty abseiling rock! Jack loved the slip n slide during water play and was a very supportive friend to fellow campers during mates traits tonight! The M&Ms embraced the camping experience tonight as they had bush showers using buckets of water!

Group 10:

Today the Black Panthers visited the rock-climbing wall and participated in more team building activities. We made our way to reverse garbage where all Panthers were given the space to get creative and PLAY! After lunch we visited the local Jabiru day spa, and alpine rescue.

William and James spent the day in the Jabiru Day Spa run by another group. The two had heaps of fun getting their nails painted and participating in the comic book club!

Jack led the team during a difficult task for alpine rescue! Jack was able to think of achievable team goals for the panthers today, while continuing to support and encourage everyone when they faced challenges.

When completing rock climbing Blaine shouted, "this is great!". Blaine continues to build his team working skills within the Black Panthers group.

Dylan was a social butterfly today and continued to improve his friendships within the group. Dylan took a role as an instructor within the alpine rescue when the group faced puzzling challenges!

Aayan went to the very top of the rock-climbing wall today shouting “moooooo” when hitting the cow bell! Aayan was very compassionate today, offering to fill water bottles for other panthers in the group!

Tristan showed the group his creative thinking solving the last challenge in alpine rescue! The group were super impressed and followed Tristan’s creative thinking. The group decided that because of “saving the team” he would be the one to open the lock at the end of the challenge!

Alex and Joaquin ‘the bubble gum boys’ continue to have bubble gum blowing competitions. During reverse rubbish the two got creative and played aliens in the barrel!

We finished the day with chicken burgers for dinner and our absolute favourite, campfire! Black Panthers are exhausted from our big day but looking forward to the rest of the camp.

Group 11:

We had a few extra Silverbacks on this morning’s jungle run. Showing off our jungle skills, we swung on vines, went through tires and over bridges on our high ropes course. Kane pushed through his fears and Jackson entertained the tribe with jungle music from the kazoo. The tribe embraced their inner creativity during jungle painting (tie-dying). Matt used his tactical wit to defeat his opponent during chess. Hamish, Ben and Tadhg formed an alliance and created a wonderful dinosaur habitat. Gab crowned Matt the king of the jungle using the spartan helmet which represents great leadership, friendship and responsibility. Leevi got the full mani-pedi treatment at the Pink Rabbit day spa, Tadhg rocked a new hair style, and Jackson and James enjoyed some relaxation and beautification. Gorilla instincts were in fine form during slip and slide as the tribe made the most of the improvised soapy water hole.

Group 12:

It was an adventurous day in the sunshine for the Pink Bunnies! The girls have been looking forward to the GIANT swing all week. Katie was so confident and went all the way to the top of the giant swing! Matilda stepped out of her comfort zone and tackled the high rope course We had a fabulous day with the grand opening of the Pink Rabbit Day Spa! All the girls managed their salons and roles! It was a hit with lines queued out the cabin door and down the pathway! Izabelle was our hairdresser for the day and Paige painted everyone nails and Isla started a comic book group with some of the other campers! The pink rabbits also found another 4 Flat Jabbies!

Group 13

The Purple Phoenixes got creative today and made their tie dye shirts. They began the day with some crafty activities such as making dreamcatchers and flower crowns. Ashley lent a kind, helping hand to Natalya when creating their dream-catchers. Rosie and Indie showed amazing teamwork skills in creating an intricate double ring starred dreamcatcher. At breakfast some of the girls played Jenga together and Hannah shared her positivity and encouragement when the other girls did risky moves in the game. The girls then went to the natural abseiling and smashed their goals! Shelby, Kiara and Natalya went all the way down the wall smashing their personal goals out of the park. The Purple Phoenixes then went on the slip and slide. They all had so much fun playing with the water and using the super soakers! The Purple Phoenixes can’t wait to see what day 4 has in store!

Jabiru 2.0

Today 2.0 had a busy day ensuring that camp was running smoothly. Starting before breakfast (which was set up in record speed), Scott and Lillian worked together to hide the Flat Jabby posters for the other campers to find. Amelia, Lillian and Alarraah visited the Pink Rabbits Day Spa. Together they supported their peers by engaging in conversations, being pampered and enjoyed catching up with some of their previous fellow campers. Scott and Dan also made a visit and were showed respect to all. They returned relaxed sporting some colourful nails and ponytails. 2.0 tackled the Flying Fox which was quite daunting. Everyone approached the challenge with courage! Flynn, Haedrien, Tobias, Dan, Lillian and Scott flew across the line after conquering their hesitations. Shout out to Eli and Marcus who bravely conquered the climb on the ladder and stood on the edge of the tower. Amelia was our tie-dye champion today. She dyed many beloved camp T-shirts for our kitchen staff on top of her own. We finished the evening burgers and then performed a special surprise for the campfire of singing Country Roads, which the audience loved. Each member of 2.0 was extremely excited and proud to perform for all the younger participants and staff.