

YEAR 7/8 CADETS CAMP

On the 15th of May our year 7/8 cadets headed off to Chidlow for two days of camping and hiking. After arriving and setting up our tents, the group set off on an orienteering challenge. The “moderate” course was more difficult than the cadets expected, after two hours the cadets returned to the start location. Needing to find 12 markers to complete the course, our best result was 9 out of 12. Some groups had a lot more trouble, only finding 3 out of 12 markers. All the students had a great time and can’t wait to set up their own course at home. On the Monday night the cadets had to prepare meals for themselves, each year we have some new and strange choices in what cadets think is a good idea for camping. We had noodles, frozen microwave meals and a large packet of Twisities. Not sure where all the food planning documents went but some had gone rouge, and when there was no microwave, we had a few panicking. In the end everyone got feed, the Twisities went back in to the bag and the cadets learned some valuable lessons about listening to advice about planning.

On the second day we rose earlier and dropped the cadets off in Wundowie, where they would start their 22km hike back to Lake Leschenaultia. This was the third time we had completed the hike and this group completed it with the least amount of whinging and incident free. Other than Mr Hall jumping out of bushes and scaring people, it was a pleasant walk that developed determination and resilience. Everyone was ready for a rest when we finished the walk after 5 hours, the afternoon was spent looking at the scenery and a very subdued game of spotlight finished off the night.

On the Wednesday the cadets cleaned up their tents and equipment. Then we headed to Bakers Hill to swap with the year 9/10’s.

group had a few cadets who needed a little motivation to make it through the day. After 6km we took our first rest and a couple of cadets were ready to remove their packs. With a few inspirational words from Ms Hibbitt, we all carried on with our packs. At the lunch stop in Mundaring a committee was formed to hear reasons why some people should be allowed to put their packs in Ms Hibbitts car. No one successfully pleaded their case and we moved on. At the end of the hike everyone had carried their pack or someone else’s for more than 95% of the hike. A couple of cadets even did a bit of extra hiking due to poor listening skills, hopefully Tyson and Hardi do a better job next year.

On arrival back at camp we were surprised to find we had been invaded by two other schools. One school kept to themselves and the other tried to make friends with our cadets. It didn’t take long before our cadets distanced themselves, highlighting their maturity and positive decision making. An earlier night was had by all after a long and tiring day.

Friday was pack-up and clean-up day, a short trip to Bakers Hill for some much needed food and then back to school.



YEAR 9/10 CADETS CAMP

The year 9/10’s arrived at Bakers Hill ready for their two nights of freedom from parental control. Once the cadets had unpacked into the already set up tents it was their turn at the orienteering course. Only they would be completing the “long hard” course. Teams of two were made and prizes for 1st and 2nd decided. Ms Hibbitt joined in, as Mr Hall and Mr Donnelly were still feeling the effects of the 7/8 walk. The long hard course cadets were given 3 hours to get as many markers as possible. In the end, Ms Hibbitt and Tom Robinson dominated the contest. Finishing the course in less than 2 hours. Two other teams also finished the entire course with Lyla Peterson and Blair Barratt coming 2nd. At the other end we had two teams only find 2 markers out of 11. Being seasoned professionals the 9/10 cadets cooked up all kinds of meals for dinner, the only odd meal was just a massive steak with nothing else. We figured Tyson was trying to bulk up with the protein. Spotlight went off again and the students went to bed without a drama.

The Thursday hike from Lake Leschenaultia to the Mundaring Wier required the cadets to carry their clothing, food for lunch and snacks plus water in their packs for the 23kms. Unlike the 7/8 cadets the 9/10

EXPLICIT TEACHING OF BEHAVIOURS

- Week Six: Keeping Our Bags and Lockers Tidy**
- Week Seven: Transitioning Around the School, Quickly and Effectively**
- Week Eight: Eating with Integrity**



- June 8 Year 5/6 Assembly (pm)
- June 12 School Board meeting 6:30pm
- June 16 Secondary Winter Carnival- Quairading
- June 30 Faction Cross Country
- June 30 Students last day of term
- July 17 Students return to school- Term 3