



Huonville Primary School

School Talk

What did you think about the Huonville Primary and High School Fair?



Gina Robertson: It was pretty good because there were lots of interesting stalls. I liked the ice cream, snow cones, fairy floss, and the white elephant stall.



Nicholas Crellin: It was fun and interesting. I thought Chaos, the school band, were good. I liked the sponge throwing the most.



Amy Brezinscak: There were lots of interesting stalls. They actually knew what they were doing. I enjoyed the fairy floss, snow cones and sponge throwing.



Thomas Ince: I thought it was good. I liked the jumping castle, I liked the school band Chaos too, and I liked the fairy floss and the snow cones too.



Caitlin Philp: At the fair there were lots of stalls and things to do, they had a jumping castle which I thought was lots of fun with Candice.

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

HUONVILLE Primary School's Grade 5 and 6 students have been participating in an outdoor education program throughout the year in order to experience new things and to develop social and team-working skills.

In Term 1, the students took part in the "On the Water" program at the Franklin Wooden Boat Trust.

All of the students learned how to row, sail and recover from a capsized.

"It was a great experience and I will never forget it," said Oliver Millington-Schwan from Grade 5/6.

In Term 2, all the Grade 5/6 students went on a bush walk on Mt Wellington.

"It was really cold at the top, but we were equipped with the right gear for the journey and it was very fun," Grade 5/6 student Kieran Lovell said.

In Term 3, selected Grade 5/6 students started practising to ride mountain bikes in the school grounds with Mr Basil Van Riet and Mr Alex Edwards, our riding instructors.

After two weeks the students were ready to conquer Mt Wellington.

They were divided into three groups and each group went up the mountain over the course of a few weeks.

For the first and third groups the weather was fine, but for the second group the weather was



OUTDOOR EDUCATION: Huonville Primary School students take to the water.

horrible. It was cold, windy and raining heavily. "The second group's trip was very challenging because it was so wet," assistant principal Mr Tony Nichols said.

"But everyone had a good go and we never stopped smiling," he said. All the students agreed that it was a great character-building experience.

Combined effort a fair to remember

A COMBINED fair was held by Huonville primary and high schools on November 6, with music, food, drinks and fun for all ages.

There were 27 facilities including entertainment, food, second hand stalls and raffles.

Prizes in the raffle included: a cricket bat stamped and signed by Mike Hussey; a dolls' house; a pine TV unit; a Sherrin football; a wooden utility; a sewing box; a \$50 gift voucher to Debonair Beauty Lounge and a large Elmo soft toy.

All grades participated and helped with the fair and more than 700 students attended.

Our primary school band, Chaos, played four songs — *Apple Tree*, *Highway to Hell*, *Eye of the Tiger* and the youth anthem, *Smells Like Teen Spirit*. The band showed courage, which

is one of our social skills for Term 3.

The parents were a big help, making lots of cakes and sweets (over 10 table's worth). They were all sold by the end of the day.

“We raised more than \$980 just from the cake stall!”

The fair raised \$8000 which will be split between the two schools.

IZABELLA WATKINS GREY, JESSICA CANTWELL and SAVANNAH TONKS

Students take a shine to robotics

SIX Huonville Primary School students were selected to participate in the first Lego League, a robotics competition held at Mackillop College in Mornington.

The big day was on November 5, but for the previous six weeks the whole Grade 4/5 Neilson class trained with Dr Faulkner from Hobart.

They were taught how to program their robots and by the end they knew how to move them in a figure of eight, greet an alien and to move along a large track.

They all thought it was a great experience and they learned a lot. Six were selected for the final team: Alisha, Sophie, Bryce, Jake, Sarah and Ryan.

One of the challenges they undertook was playing robot sumo, where they had to force their opponent's robot out of a ring.

Huonville Primary finished fourth in the competition out of 11 schools.



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