Recent Excursions – Student accounts!



Technology – Metal

Last Monday all of technology went on an excursion on their relative subjects. The metal class with Mr Winters went to do a business report on construction and workplace of Cub Campers. Cub Campers are a camper trailer manufacturer that is all Australian made with local products. Cub is a great camper trailer company that are well known for there for their quality camper trailers. This was really shown to us as we took a detailed tour around the workshop filling out our information booklet looking at each stage of production from start to finish.

On the 13 of march, year 11 metal went on an Industry study to cub campers. We looked at the production line of the camper trailers that they produce, it is a family owned business, and source all of the materials from Australia. We went on this excursion to gain knowledge for our upcoming assessment on industry reports. We learnt a lot about how industries like cub campers conduct their production and what stages and requirements have to be met.

Technology – Wood

On the 13th of March the timber class I'm in went on an excursion to a shop fitting business. Together as a class we were given a worksheet and had the opportunity to ask the owner questions that were on the worksheet. In gathering these answers, it will create easier opportunity to perform our written task next term based of that business. It was a great to see what you can do as a trade after school and hearing how much they are paid to do the job they do and also hear all of the different opportunities within the business such as going away for a job and getting paid almost over double your pay. I

personally enjoyed this excursion and the workplace itself look like somewhere that I could see myself, as everyone that we walked past acknowledged us and were open for a chat and to answer any questions we had about the business.

Multi-Media

In week 7 of this term, our Multimedia class went on an excursion to the ABC Ultimo Center. We took a tour of the studios and got to see a revamp of the Playschool series being filmed in the largest of the ABC's studios. We continued the tour, making it up to Radio Sydney, where we witnessed Cassie McCullagh live on air, break for the news a whole minute early as we all sat across from her. The day was concluded with a walk back to the powerhouse museum, where we exhibited some of the Wood, Design & Tech and Multimedia HSC works, with a quick stop at Maccas on the way back.

Geography

Last Tuesday both Geography classes with teachers Mrs Quinn and Mr Carl went to Narrabeen, Collaroy beach as well as Palm Beach and Dee Why and filled in a booklet with information about the beaches. This consisted of looking at various influences and impacts on the coast in reference to coastal erosion. We left joeys in the morning before classes started and went to Palm Beach and looked at the various renewal strategies in-place as well as taking in the great view. We then went off to Narrabeen and Collaroy and saw how closely constructions are built to the ocean and the impacts on the houses and apartments as well as the beach itself. Dee Why, our next stop involved a thirty-minute break in which the boys got food and learnt more about the coastal environment we then travelled back to school and handed in our booklet.

Primary Industries

The year 11 primary industries class travelled to Colo on the Friday the 15 March to carry out some fencing requirements for our assessment. We got on the bus at 7.00 am and travelled to Colo. Once we arrived at Colo Mr Forsberg showed us some different types of fencing that is on the Colo farm so that we could get an idea on what we had to do. Our job on the trip was to construct a 30-metre-long fence in groups. There was a group of 3 and a group of 4. Our aim for the day was to try all different joining methods so that we could show Mr Forsberg our skills with fencing and end up with a finished fence. With Mr Forsberg looking closely and marking what we did. We stopped at about 12.30 and had some lunch but the boys we keen to get it done so they quickly had lunch and straight back to work. Once we had finished our fence and showed Mr Forsberg the skills that we did. We packed up the area and travelled back to school. We returned to school at about 5.00 pm. The boys really

enjoyed the day at Colo and managed to construct 2 neat and tidy fences that Mr Forsberg was happy with.

French Excursion

On the 12th of March, in week 7, all students of the year 9, 10 and 11 French classes attended the Palace Cinema, in Norton Street, Leichardt, as part of a French excursion to the movies!

The day saw over 30 students, replace their books and pens in what would have been periods two to four, with popcorn and lollies at the cinemas! At Norton Street, we watched the film "Au Bouts des Doigts", which translates to "In Your Hands", a compelling story of a young man that gets the chance to show his marvellous musical talents by attending the National Conservatory of Music in Paris. A gifted pianist, Matthieu Malinski must juggle all aspects of his somewhat troubling life, as well as make the most of a brilliant opportunity gifted to him by his determined coach Pierre Geitner.

The movie explored concepts of opportunity, fear, self-doubt and self-belief, which thanks to the subtitles that littered the screen, most students understood!

Organised with little fuss, thanks to the expertise of the French teachers, in particular Ms. Berriman, the day allowed all students to engage with an example of fine French cinematography, and to extend and develop our listening and speaking skills, in what is considered the best way possible... at the movies. There is no doubt each student present at Norton Street appreciated the opportunity to watch a French film at the cinemas, an activity not to common in the lives of many in Australia. Personally, and I know I can speak on behalf of all French students at Joeys, I look forward to venturing on to future excursion to come, particularly if the excursion involves a trip to the movies as opposed to the classroom!

Visual Arts

A few Fridays ago, on March 8th, the entire art cohort went to the Art Galley of New South Wales. Upon arrival we discussed our day while we ate recess, and shortly after were taken on tours in which we saw the works of artists William Kentridge, Brett Whitely as well as many Chinese artists' works. On the tours, we were taught a lot about these artists and were able to undergo our own practical tasks such as drawing our own interpretations of the works. These artworks presented new structural and conceptual ideas in which we can incorporate into our own works so we can further enhance our skills as artists. Overall it was a great excursion which lead to a fun and educational day, and I hope that we are welcomed back to this gallery in the future.