

TERM 3: THURSDAY 24 AUGUST 2017





Takayamamura visit Euroka Clearing in the Blue Mountains National Park.

Our visitors travelled to Euroka Clearing in the Blue Mountains National Park with students from elective Japanese in Years 9, 10 and 11 to explore the Australian bush. Beginning with an orienteering activity to get their bearings in the park, students followed maps to specific locations. Morning tea was an array of Aussie food delights - Tim Tams, Lamington fingers and damper cooked on the open fire drizzled with golden syrup. Mr Palmer, armed with a jar of Vegemite and a knife, also encouraged some tasting of this delicious Australian delicacy to the delight of the visiting students and staff.

An Aussie Bush Photo Scavenger Hunt then ensued with our visitors reading through clues and having to communicate in English to their buddy groups. An array of Australian birds, including a loud flock of sulphur crested cockatoos, were spotted and photographed, as were many kangaroos grazing, some with joeys in pouch. Students learned about gum trees, along with other typical Australian plants. For lunch, students experienced an Aussie sausage sizzle.

A fantastic time was had by all and many language barriers were crossed. Thomas Hassall Anglican College language students put their language skills well and truly into practice.