



GATEWAY 8

On the Thursday 17 August, a team of 8 students from years 5 and 6, participating in the interschool competition known as 'GATEway 8'. There were 19 teams participating this year, from about 15 schools. The team worked hard to solve challenging problems and we are proud of their efforts. Some of the team have written reflections about their experiences:

I really enjoyed participating in the interschool competition, 'GATEway8'. We competed in 6 tasks, challenging our many different abilities. Some of these tasks were Science, English, Music, History, Maths and Creative Design. I particularly liked the English task. We had to rewrite the song 'The Teddy Bear's Picnic' but to make it about saving the environment, and answer some comprehension questions. We also had to write short reflections on how we changed the original song, but from the perspective of some of the teddy bears. We are all very proud of the effort we put in, and everyone had lots and lots of fun. - Lizzie

The Gateway 8 experience was amazing! Even though we did not win, I had a great time learning and expanding teamwork skills. Some things were super challenging, and I enjoyed that! - Serena

I really enjoyed attending the interschool gala day 'GATEway 8' in 2023. It was truly a breathtaking experience. This year, the theme for all tasks was wood. We competed in numerous fun activities, designed to make us 'think outside the box'. I am enormously glad I was selected to be there and was able to compete in these activities. Thank you again, Mrs. Saville for signing us up to attend GATEway 8! - Ali

The GATEway 8 competition was hard but also fun. The competition was held at Macarthur

Anglican, my mum's old school. I enjoyed the day, mostly because I could connect with people in year 5 and 6 that I didn't really know. Knowing I was part of the team also helped my self esteem grow. – Abigail

GATEway 8 was a fun day of learning and solving problems. It was challenging to work as a team and to work out what a question was asking. Sometimes we didn't have enough people working on a task but we fixed that. It was hard to try and finish in the time limits but we tried and gave it a shot! - Arin

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