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## Keira Kids Chaotic Canberra Camp!

Canberra was in for a big surprise when the Stage 3 class from Mount Keira Demonstration School (MKDS) visited for their rich task.

Each activity they visited was in shock at how 'brilliantly' they were behaved. Visiting a mere handful of Canberra's biggest attractions, they still found the sleepless night and the exhausting days of activities exciting and informative. Early Tuesday morning Stage 3 were at school waiting for their bus, which of course had to be late, to go to Canberra Camp. They were all tired and excited and with the two mixed it equaled to an intense game of truth or dare and a sleeping victim getting dacked.



Looks like Blake and Maeve had fun!

First activity Stage 3(S3) went to was the National Portrait Gallery (NPG). S3 enjoyed seeing the death mask of Ned Kelly, drawing some of their favorite parts of an artwork and seeing some amazing portraits and learning their story. For example, Nancy Wake also known as the White Mouse, a WWII spy.

S3 then visited Parliament House and had a tour. Because Gough Whitlam passed away, all of Parliament was in the House of Representatives for condolence speeches to pay respect to our former prime minister. Overall parliament house was fun but most people said their favorite part was the gift shop.



The War Memorial was by far the favorite for S3 looking through the Wall of Remembrance for ancestors and seeing amazing artifacts. However, seeing all these amazing things didn't move the looming sadness everyone had hanging over their head. Blake from Year 6 stated, "I felt sad because they all risked their lives for us but I also felt at peace in the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier." We all know Stage 3 had loads of fun. I just hope they can survive being around each other for another 5 weeks.