## Keira Kids Kick off to Canberra

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Stage 3 of Mount Keira PS rushed to Canberra on the 21st of October. For the Year Fives it was the most exciting days of school ever! The excursion was a hit for all the kids but the teachers were yawning all day as it was a long sleepless night.

The day started at 5am for most, having one hour to get ready and drive to school. One by one kids started rolling in getting more excited each time. Finally when the last student arrived everyone piled onto the bus ready for 3 and a half hour trip.

The National Portrait Gallery was first. The students learned about Nancy Wake and the different portraits. They all drew posters on what caught their eye in one specific painting.

After the Gallery they drove to Parliament House. On

that specific day the House of Representatives was seated because of the death of former Prime Minister Goth Whitlam. Stage 3 were seated in the sound proof room and informed on what happens in The House of Representatives.

The War Memorial was next and it was full of videos, planes and information. The videos really opened their eyes to how serious war really was. "The most terrifying video was the clip of a soldier

walking, then he stood on a mine and it exploded," Lucy, Year Five.

Stage 3 drove to their accommodation (The Bush Capital Lodge); ate a load of dinner and drove to The National Dinosaur Museum which was disappointing for everyone except their prac teacher Stephanie Murray who especially loved the gift shop.

The night was very sleepless because the students were playing Marco Polo and building forts for most of the night. In the morning they drove to Questacon which was by far the favourite of all the kids. There was a 7 metre free fall which most of the kids went on.



2: S3 Before piling onto the bus

After Questacon, the class went to Australian Institute of Sport (AIS). The first level was a whole room full of interactive sport games such as a Basketball court, Bike races, Skiing and rowing simulator.

The bus ride home was full of yawning children but the



1: Outside the Dinosaur Museum

trip wasn't over yet! The last destination was..... MCDONALDS for 31 soft serves (Even the teachers had ice-cream). Everyone enjoyed eating the ice creams.

Finally when they arrived back at school at 5:45pm they were all ready to go to sleep as soon as they got home. This camp was definitely the most exciting school trip ever! Now on to next year of camp for Year Five.