**Bremer Bay School Camp** 14-16 October 2020

The 12 students in Years 3-6 travelled to Twertup Field Studies Centre for a (3 days/2 nights) environmental education camp. The students were transported in staff and parent 4WD vehicles.

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The students were encouraged to read the signs on the Point Anne Heritage Walk Trail and to slow down and be observant. A small kangaroo and her joey happily stayed nearby as we passed.





We then travelled to Twertup Field Studies Centre. The students were excited to look all around the accommodation, locate the girls and boys bedrooms, and be slightly alarmed at the “long-drop” toilets.

The proclamation, “It’s better than I thought it would be!”, was heard.

The late lunch was partaken hungrily. Then teachers and students discussed appropriate camp behaviour, respect for others and the environment, required hygiene rules.

The adults secured a bright tape sectioning off the front area from the Quarry edge and established a “No-Go” boundary beyond the tape.

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Description automatically generatedThen everyone proceeded to the *Phytopthora* boot cleaning station located near the Walk Trail board. We followed the short section of the Twertup Nature Walk self-guided brochure, stopping at each Numbered trail marker to read from the trail information guide. The students took it in turns to read aloud to others and attempted to pronounce the difficult scientific names. This promoted a lot of discussion and questions about the environment.

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A picture containing bed, bedroom, room

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The students completed camp booklet activities while the meal was prepared. Dinnertime, followed by a “chocolate eating game”, then bedtime!!

A group of people sitting in a room

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* Horrie and Dorrie Walk trail – looking through a telescope from on top.
* Snake bite First Aid lesson.
* Art activities – etchings of plant item, Leaf drawings, clay fossil imprints, spongolite blocks.



* Visit from Ranger Josh Woods
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* Photography Lesson
* Quiz on camp experiences and information learnt.
* Night walk with torches.