

We are officially halfway through the week, Excitement is still high, but tiredness is setting in, as it usually does. Our breakfast routine is like clockwork now, tables set, children sat down, cereal, toast, chores, groups. Before we knew it, we were out and about. Some of our intrepid adventurers have now discovered the extensive yoghurt collection and have been experimenting by adding in fruit and cornflakes to their creations.

During the day, Mr Marks, Miss Ferguson and Mr Carey's groups all went to the mines where we had the chance to explore an abandoned mineshaft. Inside, the children marched through long abandoned tunnels passing many examples of discarded Welsh mining equipment. They even crossed a deep underground lake in a small inflatable dinghy. One of the groups even climbed a waterfall to escape from the very peak of the mine.

Mr Coles' group were the last to take on the mountain, and were able to reach the top in good time. They faced more difficulties coming down, however, as Mr Cole continued his tradition of falling over more times than all of the children combined, making his title of 'caretaker' somewhat ironic. Fortunately, his experience allowed him to fix the fence he fell through.

On returning to home camp, the children were treated to free time and the opportunity to take some extended showers (much needed - I assure you). After what has been a frantic opening three days this was some much needed rest and recuperation. The fun didn't stop there as the children completed a kahoot quiz which the children understandably went nuts for. Following this fierce competition most of the team were disqualified for cheating mercilessly. One team even scoring 27 points out of a possible total of 23, and another group who were unable to agree on 4 different scores presented. We had fun regardless.

After a delicious and warming roast dinner, the children were surprised with a cinema experience including popcorn provided by Miss Ferguson. The movie of choice? Moana 2 - universally popular movie. This was followed up by the traditional gathering around the campfire and the presentation of more certificates and the daffodils of the day.

We are crossing our fingers that an earlier night will result in newfound energy tomorrow.

- Mr Carey and the team













