

## Group A

Today we went rock climbing with harnesses attached to us and some bits, people fell (not Ashleigh and Savannah). To make sure you were safe you had to have 2-3 people at the bottom when you started to climb so you are safe one person to pull the extra rope then the other person had to pull the rope that the other person was pulling to make sure there were no bends in the rope. Then after everyone went over to the Via Ferrata. Some of it was very high but it was quite fun at the same time. It was very fun it was one of the highlights of the week. If you don't know what Via Ferrata is it's where there's a rope across rocks and you wear a harness and on your harness is a rope with Carabiner clips and when you come across a metal ball every now and again which you clip off only one over the ball and then the other never unclip both at the same time or you will fall so not recommend. Adam was our instructor and for the whole week he was very supportive and helpful since he's a pro.

Group B, we went kayaking with Group C. We had to kayak over to the satellite dish, and after we had to stop the boat from moving. Amber told us to throw our paddles into the water to see if the lake monster liked us or not. If the paddle floated away, it means the monster doesn't like you (sorry Megan and Alice). Once we arrived at our destination, we made small campfires in groups of four. There was a competition of whose fire lasted the longest. Of course, I won. We then got to roast marshmallows over our campfires and skip some stones over the water. We put out the fires and returned our equipment before paddling back to shore. We then did the gorge walk, which was incredibly slippery. I made sure to help out a lot of people so they didn't fall into the freezing water, which a lot of people didn't like. But we all made it through the day. Amber and the others said I was very good at gorge walking because I didn't fall.

In Group C, we went canoeing and gorge walking, it was very fun and delightful. First, we went canoeing. We had to attach our boats together while wearing waterproof clothing. We rowed over to the other side of the lake and as we were there we worked as a team to make a fire. You know what they say 'Teamwork makes the Dreamwork.' After we made the fire we toasted soft, crispy marshmallows just the right texture. Our instructor, Andy, taught us a lesson. To see how hot the marshmallow felt you put it either on your lips or your cheeks. This is because our lips and cheeks are very sensitive so you will be able to tell if it is hot or not.

## Group D

Today we went to the mine, there was a lot of low and small spaces we had to duck in. There was a really old mine track and mine cart which was so rusty it looked like it hadn't been moved for a 1000 years. There was a river underwater where we had to ride a boat across, which was scary because the walls were pointy and the boat would pop if we touched the sides, so we had to paddle very carefully to make sure we got to the other side safely. When we got far enough, we turned off lights and used small bits of quartz and other stones to make sparks of light in the darkness. There was no food, plants or animals in the mine, so we had to be careful not to drop any rubbish or food. Warwick took really cool light pictures of us using a special camera and a torch. Then we went back on ourselves and went home.



