

Barossa Family Camp – 19-21st January 2024 – Recap

From the 19th – 21st of January the Y ran the Barossa Family Camp. 12 families attended.

On Friday, Families checked in to the Barossa Discovery Park. They were able to explore some of the great facilities that were available including the jumping pillow, pool and water park. Once families settled in, they headed a short drive up the road to Bethany Reserve. When families arrived, they were able to mingle with one another and play some games on the grass including cricket, connect four and soccer. We then enjoyed some pizza and finished off the evening with some Icebreaker games to get to know one another. Families then headed back to the Discovery Park to rest up for Saturday.



Saturday morning started with a family picnic at Heinemann Park. Heinemann Park was just a short walk from the Discovery Park. Saturday was quite warm so after the Picnic we got straight into water games. Families tested their balance and coordination with some water balloon relays and throwing games. They then took to the challenge of water balloon slingshot and catch. It wasn't long until a water balloon fight broke out! The water balloon games were one of the most enjoyed activities of the camp. After this it was time for the famous fireman's relays. This again ended in a friendly water fight! After water fun families had some free time to explore the Barossa or to kick back and relax at the water park.



Saturday afternoon we headed back down to Bethany Reserve for family games night! There was a bunch of different board game to choose from. They then took to the challenge of Trivia! The knowledge of the group was impressive. Families' reaction time was then tested in the cone game. Before we knew it was time for dinner where we enjoyed burgers together. Just like that day 2 was finished and it was time to get some rest.

Sunday morning, we had breakfast at the camp kitchen before checking out. We had one final activity left at the Barossa Chocolate Factory. Here the kids indulged in a hot chocolate. The parents had a much-needed coffee. Everyone also enjoyed a piece of cake. The kids then had to put their detective skills to the test and take on the 'Code Crocker'. They had to run around the outside area collecting clues to solve the hidden phrases. When they finished the challenges the lovely staff gave them some chocolate for their efforts. Families were able to sit back and reminisce on the fun they had over the camp. The water balloons & the chocolate factory seemed to be the highlight for many families. Families were able to build existing friendships and create new ones.



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