

Fun camp at the falls

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ON the second-last Wednesday of Term 1, the Year 7s of St Gerard Majella packed up their old clothes into their bags and headed off to Mungalli Falls in Milla Milla for their camp.

The teachers, Mr Volpi and Mrs Dore, told us it was a great way to get to know our peers and some of the parents of Year 7, so we know them for the rest of the year.

The trip from school to Mungalli Falls took about an hour and a half. We were entertained on the bus by talking with our friends, singing ("The wheels on the bus...") and filling out our camp booklets which we were given before we left. These were decorated with the winners of

our Year 7 drawing competition, Zoe Evans and Tilly Natush.

The activities we did when we arrived at Mungalli Falls were raft-building, obstacle course, abseiling, archery, and the well-known and probably most favourite of all the Year 7s this year, the landslide.

Each activity we did encouraged us to work as a team. In raft-building we had to work together to plan and build a raft, and the obstacle course, abseiling and archery all motivated us to encourage our teammates, especially abseiling, as many people, including myself, thought it was a very scary experience, but we still overcame it.

The landslide was just a

whole lot of fun, going down a wet ramp on a mat at 30kmh, landing in a pond of icy water. What more could you want?

Each day we had delicious meals at the Mungalli Falls restaurant, with the amazing view of the Mungalli rapids, a smaller waterfall further up the actual falls.

The best view we had of the falls was when we were taken to the spot where glow-worms live. We were taught how a glow-worm lives and why it glows, all while hearing the crash of the Mungalli Falls itself, which we were below.

Even though it rained for most of the time, our Year 7 camp was a camp we will remember, and remember for the rest of our life.



Students overcome the 'scary' abseiling challenge at Mungalli Falls.