

## PSSA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The LLPSSA Athletics Carnival was held in West Wyalong last Friday with quite a number of UCS students competing. Everyone tried their hardest on the day, with UCS placing 2nd overall to West Wyalong with 116 points. A number of our students gained first or second placing in their events, qualifying them for the Regional Carnival at Dubbo on the 28th of August. They included:

**Ruby Henley** (1st in Senior Girls' Discus; 2nd Senior Girls' Long Jump), **Ryan Crofts** (1st in Senior Boys' Long Jump, 1st Senior Boys' High Jump after a jump-off,



Matilda Langham



Georgia Wilson

2nd in Senior Boys' Shot Put and 1st in 13yrs 100m); **Molly Bryant** (1st Senior Girls' 800m, 2nd Senior Girls' 200m); **Ella McRae** (1st in 11yrs High Jump); **Georgia Wilson** (2nd in 11yrs Girls' 800m); **Harry Roscarel** (1st in 9yrs Boys' 100m, 2nd in Junior Boys' 800m); **Ashton Ross** (2nd in Junior Primary Boys' 200m, 10yrs 100m and Junior Boys' High Jump), **Matilda Langham** (2nd Senior Girls' Shot Put); **Tess Henley** (2nd Junior Girls' Shot Put); **Tom Roscarel** (2nd Senior Boys' Discus) and **Jack Crofts** (2nd Junior Boys' Discus). The UCS Junior Boys' Relay team (**Jack Crofts**, **Ashton Ross**, **Hugh Williams** and **Harry Roscarel**) also qualified by winning their event.





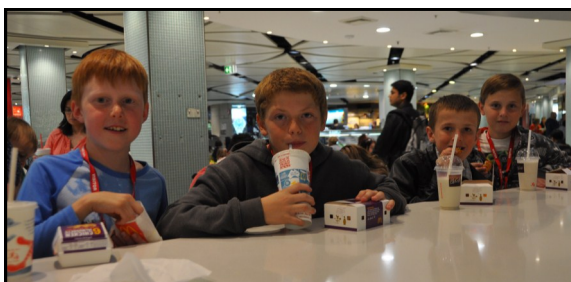


**DAY 1:** The Sydney Recorder Excursion got away from UCS on Sunday morning at 8am with students and staff on Max Heffer's bus, and parents following in the school bus with Jason driving. Our first stop was at the Harden park, where we realised just how cold it had become outside! Lunch stop was at the park in Goulburn, where we had a little celebration and cake for

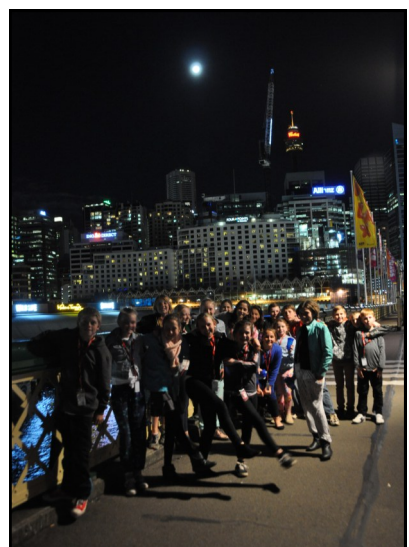


Tanya Wallace's birthday!

We got to the Sydney Harbour YHA at approximately 3.30pm (well done to our drivers!) and checked in before quickly getting ready and hopping back on the buses to drive around to Darling Harbour for tea (which everyone else seemed to have done too, because the food court was packed!). We then walked up the road to the Lyric Theatre and thoroughly enjoyed the musical production of Matilda (Miss Trunchbull was hilarious and the talent of the kids, especially Matilda, was amazing). We walked back over the bridge and up George Street after the show, and were more than ready for a hot shower and bed on arrival back at the YHA!



## **SYDNEY RECORDER EXCURSION Sunday 2nd-Wednesday 5th August, 2015**







Descant 1: Madi Cassidy, Tom Roscarel, Georgia Wilson, Tess Henley, Abby Wason, Ella McRae, William Batty, Kadee Gerhard-Scali, Molly Bryant, Ruby Henley, Prue West and Matilda Langham



**DAY 2:** Breakfast for our stay were scheduled for 7:30am, with more than a few late risers opting to wear their fashionable PJs down to the dining room! We visited the Big Dig for the morning, where our guide Bernard shared his enthusiasm and knowledge of the history of The Rocks and some of the characters who lived there in the past, and we also got to have a go at our own archaeological dig.

We had a quick lunch at Circular Quay before attending the Rehearsal at the Opera House at 12:30pm. On leaving the Opera House Ella Payne's gymnastic

performance showed us all why it's not a good idea to run down steps!

After a shower and getting ready at the YHA parents and friends joined us for tea at the Orient Hotel, and then it was off for the Acacia Concert performance. The night went well, and we were all very proud of Madi Cassidy's interview with Susan Sukkar during the second half! We enjoyed gelatos at Circular Quay on the way back to the hostel, and quickly settled into our rooms after a big day!



Descant 2: Darcy Langham, Michelene Izzard, Ryan Crofts, Mrs Payne (back) Hugh Williams, Hayley Wallace, Ella Payne and Jack Crofts (front)







**DAY 3:** With the concert out of the way, we were looking forward to a relaxed day of sightseeing, catching the ferry to Taronga Zoo at 9:20am. Most of the parents accompanied us, and we rode the Sky Safari cable cars to the top of the Zoo on our arrival. We worked our way around the park, attending a number of shows along the way. The Gorillas and Big Cat talks were fascinating, but the Bird Show was simply amazing, with the many trained species of birds (cockatoos, owls, condors, falcons and more) enchanting everyone with their personalities and close encounters!

We headed back to Circular Quay on the ferry at 3:30pm dropped in at the Sticky lolly shop where we were lucky enough to see them making Minion candies! Mrs Mason and a few students then went for a little detour whilst everyone else returned to base and prepared for tea (students and staff had hamburgers at the YHA, and then wandered back down to the Gelato shop at Circular Quay afterwards for dessert!). We then spent a bit of time in the TV room before all heading off to our rooms for a well-earned sleep!







**DAY 4 (pics from Day 3 continued):** We had our final breakfast at the YHA and packed the buses, leaving for Paddy's Markets just before 9am. We spent an hour picking up "bargains" at the markets before heading for home, stopping at Sutton Forest MacDonald's for lunch. The trip home was cold, wet and windy, and the sick bags got a bit of a work-out, but we arrived back at UCS safely at around 5:30pm. Many thanks to our drivers Max and Jason for doing such an excellent job at getting us to and from our destinations!







#### BOOK WEEK MUFTI

Congratulations to all those students who dressed up for the Book Week "Kings, Queens, Princes and Princesses" Mufti Day last Thursday! Best Costume winners are pictured, right: Audrey Hukins, Jett Woodward, Tom Roscarel, Matilda Langham, Vanessa Robb, Rachel Ridley and Regan Hukins.

