Boomerangs/tools
At the Aboriginal Cultural day we learnt about aboriginal boomerangs/tools. They showed us how the Aboriginals used them. There are three main types of boomerangs. The most commonly known today is the bird boomerang which would return to you if you threw it at the bird and it missed. The others are the emu boomerang and the kangaroo boomerang. They showed us the different types of tools used by the aboriginals. One of them is the digging stick.

Painting boomerangs
I also did painting boomerangs. We got into groups on tables. We used dotters and our fingers to paint them. I didn’t use yellow because it was a bit dry. It was a very good day.
Brynn

On Friday two people came over and they were named Bevan and Duncan. Firstly they showed us boomerangs, tools and different stuff. My favourite was the emu boomerang. After that they gave all of us a painting on our arm - what I chose was the emu. Patrick was the first in line and he was the only one to get the echidna. Most people chose the snake.
Tana

Boomerang Throwing
After lunch we went on the oval. We went in groups of 4. I went in the second group and Duncan taught me how to throw the boomerang. The boomerang that I threw came back but I didn’t catch it.

Animals Painted On Arms
In the morning before recess we got paintings of animals on our arms. The choices were kangaroo, echidna, goanna, emu and snake. Rory, Brynn and I got the goanna. The most popular painting was the snake. The least popular painting was the emu, kangaroo and echidna.
Abdullah
Aboriginal Cultural Day
Boomerang Throwing

On Friday we had Aboriginal Cultural Day. We walked up to the oval and sat under the shade and listened to the instructions. Bevan and Duncan took us over to the middle of the oval in groups of four. We each got three goes each. Afterwards we played seagull and the chip where Duncan threw the boomerang and we had to try and catch it. Kyle was the first person to catch a boomerang and I was second.

Bevan and Duncan painted native animals on our arms. They only used two colours which were brown and yellow. I got a goanna painted on my arm and it was as long as my arm and so did Brynn as well. The choices of what you could get were goanna, kangaroo, snake, echidna and emu. Most people got the snake. It was really fun.

Rory

Animals painted on arms
On Aboriginal Cultural day we had animals painted on our arms. I got a kangaroo. The most popular painting is the snake and the least was the kangaroo. An aboriginal man called Duncan painted it on us. The different animals were: snake, goanna, kangaroo, emu and echidna.

Ellie

Leartnt about boomerangs
We also learnt about boomerangs. There were: the emu boomerang, the bird boomerang and the kangaroo boomerang. The kangaroo boomerang bounces and the kangaroo thought it was its joey and went near it. But then it went around the kangaroo’s legs and it fell over. The emu boomerang was supposed to make the emu come closer and they threw it at it and it fell over. The bird boomerang was thrown into the air and it hit the bird.

Ellie

On Friday two aboriginal people came out to Dalton so we could learn about the aboriginal people a long time ago. They showed us boomerangs and how to throw them. They also showed us how to dance like an aboriginal and we got our faces painted. It was so much fun.

Joe
During last Friday it was Aboriginal Cultural Day. The two people who presented it were named Bevan and Duncan. We threw boomerangs on the oval. We were taken up to the middle of the oval in groups of four. I was in the third group. While we were waiting we sat in the shade. We also did the burang (boomerang) dance. Duncan played his clapping sticks, sang and helped us through the dance since it was a tiny bit hard while Bevan played the didgeridoo. We also got face paints. It was really fun and I learned a lot about Aboriginal Culture.

Patrick

During the aboriginal cultural day two people came in to talk about aboriginal lifestyle and their ways. One of my favourite parts was the Abura - it was a piece of wood attached to string. When it was spun it made a low hum. There were two signals one was all tribes to come together and the second was that women keep away from the men meetings.

Alexander

After the story we did dancing. We did the boomerang dance. He put white paint on our faces and then we danced.

Kyle

After that we threw boomerangs and then we painted it. There are three boomerangs – the kangaroo boomerang. It knocks the kangaroo off its legs. The bird boomerang – it knocks the birds out of the sky. The last is the emu boomerang - it breaks its leg. That was what Bevan and Duncan taught us.
On Friday it was the Aboriginal Cultural Day. We learnt about old tools used by different Aboriginals all over the nation. Our guys’ names were Bevan and Duncan. Duncan is an Aboriginal.

Each Aboriginals tribe had a totem. On each totem there is an animal which is sacred to that tribe, so they can’t kill that animal, for example Duncan’s tribe had a sand goanna so Duncan’s tribe can’t kill sand goannas. My favourite part of it was the boomerang throwing on the oval. We were split up into 4 groups of 4. We also played seagull and the chip. Duncan would throw a boomerang and if you caught it you could keep it. The day was real fun and I really enjoyed it.

Ned

On the Aboriginal Cultural day Duncan and Bevan showed us the boomerang dance and we got our face painted. The boys’ symbol was the kangaroo and the girls’ symbol was the berry.

Just before recess, Duncan painted animals on our arms and the choices where kangaroo, echidna, goanna, snake and emu.

Omar