Convict Fun Day for Year 3/4

On Tuesday, the 18th of June, Year 3/4 re-enacted a convict day in twenty minute rotations which related to their class unit. Unfortunately the blacksmith we had booked fell ill and couldn’t attend on the day. So, without the added activity of rope making and blacksmithing, the morning was still filled with fun.

Dressed as convicts, the students were split into four groups and for each activity. They had the chance to make and taste damper (yum).

It was a messy job but someone had to do it.

There were a lot of squeals and laughter in the ball and chain race. No, we didn’t chain the students; they used stockings instead of chains. It proved much easier to run with.

One rotation was a fun activity with paints. The theme was the First Fleet and reflection. The students painted the top half of the page with one or two ships and then folded the paper in half while the paint was still wet. This effect created a mirror image of their painting, which gave the ships a reflection on the water.
The display of the students’ masterpieces with their sailing ships on blue oceans (and their reflections) looks great up on the classroom wall.

Paper weaving was the next best thing to making skipping ropes. The students made great patterns with all the coloured paper.

Overall, the morning was a success. The students had so much fun, they asked their teachers if they could do it all over again another day!