Historical Village and Museum and Water Park

On Friday, the 29th of November, Year 1/2 travelled to Hervey Bay to visit the Historical Village and Museum and the Water Park.

The village was full of interesting facts, displays and fun activities. The students gained an insight into what life was like up to 150 years ago. (Hervey Bay turned 150 years this year.) Emphasis was placed on transport, early history and living conditions.

During their visit, the students viewed demonstrations of Aboriginal Artefacts, Corn Shelling and Grinding, Clothes Ironing, Blacksmith and Rope Making.

The students listened intently to the volunteers who spoke about the different topics.

First they learnt how to make a rope.

Some students were able to participate.
So this is how we make rope. We tie three ends and twist. Easy!

Wes checks out the sample piece.

While moving to another demonstration, Bill found this. Cool!

Next stop – corn shelling and grinding.

Having a go.

The corn goes in as a whole cob . . . . and comes out as kernels.
On to the blacksmith.

This is different.

Everyone is keen to watch. The blacksmith stokes up the fire.

The steel is heated in the fire to soften it. Notice how it is red hot? Now he can hammer it into the shape of a horseshoe.

Once the horseshoe is formed, the blacksmith hammers in the holes for the nails.

The students moved into the village to see how people lived many years ago.

They found old, old furniture.

This is a stove?
We were shown a kitchen from long ago... and even how the milk was delivered.

It was interesting watching the wood turning.

Typewriters? This is how they typed before computers.

They wore funny clothes back then.
An early lighthouse light.

The Urangan pier used to be a lot longer to allow the ships to dock. Yes, ships came to Hervey Bay. Trains were used to carry cargo out to them.

Waiting for the train at the old station.

Hope it’s not coming!

This guy is SCARY!!!

Umm, where do these tracks go?
Back in school.

What do you mean we have to write with chalk?

Mrs Royan has got it.

Check out these sets of rules.

**RULES FOR WOMEN TEACHERS 1915**

1. You will not marry during the term of contract.
2. You are not to keep company with men.
3. You must be home between the hours of 8pm-6am unless attending a school function.
4. You may not lotter downtown in ice cream parlours.
5. You may not travel beyond the city limits without the permission of the Chairman of the Board.
6. You may not ride in a carriage or automobile with any man unless he is your father or brother.
7. You may not smoke cigarettes.
8. You may not dress in bright colours.
9. You may not dye your hair.
10. You must wear at least two petticoats and your dresses must not be any shorter than two inches (5cm) above the ankles.
11. To keep the school room clean you must sweep the floor at least once daily, scrub the floor with hot soapy water at least once a week, clean the blackboard once a day and start the fire at 7am so that the room is warm when the children arrive.

**RULES FOR TEACHERS - 1879**

1. Teachers each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys before beginning work.
2. Each teacher will bring a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the days session.
3. Make your pens carefully. You may whittle nibs to the individual taste of the children.
4. Men teachers may take one evening a week for courting purposes or two evenings to attend church regularly.
5. After ten hours in school, you may spend the remaining time reading the bible or other good books.
6. Women teachers who marry or engage in unseemly conduct will be dismissed.
7. Every teacher should lay aside, from each pay, a goodly sum for his benefit during his declining years so that he will not become a burden on society.
8. Any teacher who smokes, uses liquor in any form, frequents pool and public houses, or gets shaved in a barbers shop, will give good reason to suspect his worth, intention, integrity, and honesty.
After lunch, it was time for the Water Park.

It was fun!

There were lots of squeals and laughter as we cooled off under the showers and sprinkles.

Yes, we had a great time in Hervey Bay.