

Catchy Lockyer Stories

Bush to Beach

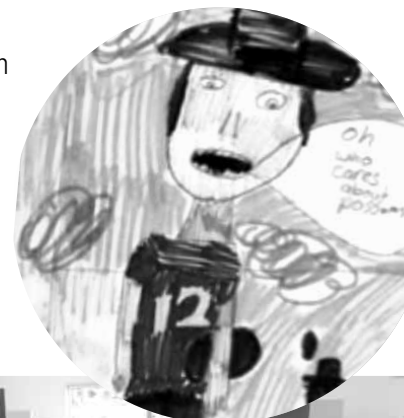


Under 8s Week Tour 2011

A part of the Under 8s Week tour, storyteller Daryll Bellingham visited schools, kindergartens and child care centres throughout the Lockyer Valley telling and creating stories about the Lockyer Valley Catchment and the plants and animals that live there. The tour was organised by Kaori van Baalen, Conservation Officer, Lockyer Valley Regional Council. Over 4 days, the Catchy Lockyer Stories team visited 6 different school and 4 different early childhood centres in the Lockyer Valley.

This is a summary of the 7 page PDF report submitted to the Under 8's Week Committee. The URL for the full PDF Report can be found at <http://tiny.cc/k9nak>

All of the schools visited were small rural schools in the Lockyer Catchment. The tour was promoted and documented in both the Catchy Lockyer Stories blog on the Blogger site and on the equivalent Education Queensland site on *The Learning Place*. Audiences were generally Prep to Year 2 although one school did Prep to Year 4. The 2 kindergartens had all pre-prep or kinder audiences and the two Early Learning Centres had baby to 4 – 5 year old audiences.



Gatton Kindergarten Show



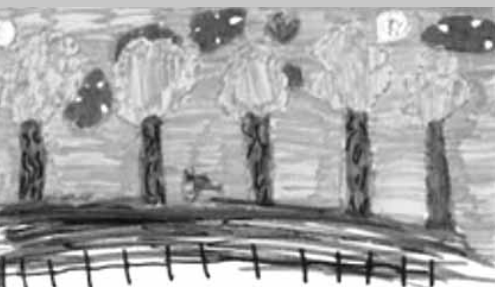
Daryll Bellingham creating a story with students at Mt Whitestone State School. They were doing research into insects so the story created was *Insect Adventures* about a visit to the school's conservation corridor.



Making good use of magic whiteboards at the Ma Ma Creek State School telling the story from Tenthill Lower School, *Tent Hill Lower Cliff Rescue* and showing it on the blog.



Withcott Early Learning Centre



Mt Whitestone State School - Insect Adventures

One morning at Mt Whitestone State School in the Lockyer Valley, one of the teachers said, "Alright students we're going to a bit more research on your insects."

The students said, "Ohhhhhhhhh!"

The teacher said, "No it's alright, you'll enjoy it. We're going to walk down to where our school has been planting all of those trees in the wildlife corridor."



Map of the school by Olivia

One of the girls said, "Does that mean that we're going outside of the classroom."

Stories, Storytelling and Story Creation

Check out a story at <http://catchylockyerstories.blogspot.com/2011/05/david-and-snake-necked-tortoise.html>

View Daryll's podcast at http://austories.podomatic.com/entry/2011-06-21T05_42_22-07_00

The Learning Place

The Learning Place enables teachers and students to publish on the internet in password protected safety.

If you have an Ed Qld I.D. you should be able to access the Catchy Lockyer Stories virtual classroom. <http://education.qld.gov.au/learningplace/>

