MT FEATHERTOP BUSHWALK

On Thursday the 3rd of April, 2014, 19 students from the Benalla P-12 College started the annual pilgrimage to the top of Mt Feathertop.

The Yr 11 VET Sport and Recreation class were dropped off by bus at Mt Hotham in the Alpine National Park. From here, students loaded on their backpacks in light rain and headed along the ridge of the Razorback trail towards our campsite at Federation hut (10km). Once all tents were setup at Federation hut, students then made the steep incline to the top of Mt Feathertop (1km). Unfortunately the visibility was poor due to thick fog and we couldn’t see more than 10-20m in front of us.

As heavy rain was forecast to arrive later that night students returned to their camp site early and braced themself for bad weather. Luckily the heavy rain went around us and we woke up in the morning dry. Once packed up, we descended down a steep track called the bungalow spur which lead us all the way down to the base of the mountain to a small country town called Harrietville (10km). Students saw firsthand how the recent bushfires in the area had devastated the local flora and fauna.

A great trip was had by all, however, everyone was looking forward to a well-deserved rest, and a hot shower when they got home.