

Bernadette, Luke, Jack, Isabelle and Todd Cowcher take a spin inside virtual reality. Pictures: Jon Solmundson



Sophie Harris, Abbie and Blythe Cooke take a big picture look at some slides under the digital microscope.



Rhy and Reef Opalinski play with the effects of magnetism.

Festival gives insight into science world

■ Jon Solmundson

Geraldton Grammar School opened its doors to the public on Wednesday night for a celebration of all things science.

The two-day Geraldton Science Festival in Batavia Hall was open for students during school time on Wednesday and Thursday.

Scitech Outreach director Nick Wood said the festival helped connect students' classroom learning with what goes on in the world, and showed the community how sci-

ence was used in a variety of local industries.

Outreach Careers co-ordinator Colleen Kleinschmidt said with 369 people, it was the largest of the regional science festivals so far.

The event was a collaboration between the Mid West Science Engagement Group Scitech, with Scitech providing explosive educational shows and science groups from around the region coming together to show off potential science careers to students.



St John Ambulance instructor Alexander Raisinger teaches James Carter and Zac McDonald how to perform CPR.



Michar and Akur Michar take a closer look at the micro-organisms in our water.



Budding scientists Josiah Carey and Akeelah Poligadu take a look down the microscope.



Sarah and Miley Williams take a close look at some bacterial plates using digital microscopes with the help of Wayne Aston.

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