



Kids go wild for Aussie animals

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PLEASANT Street Primary School went wild yesterday for native Australian animals as part of AUSTAR for School's Nat Geo Wild

program. Nat Geo Wild's animal expert Ben Britton visited the school, along with a crocodile, kookaburra, python and lizards. Mr Britton taught the students about the native

animals, and spoke about the importance of understanding animal conservation.

The program was run for grade 4 pupils, who are learning about native Australian animals.

The AUSTAR for Schools

program visits schools all over Australia.

AUSTAR presented the school with a \$2000 grant to be used for educational resources.



UP CLOSE: Lee Webley, from Animals of OZ, allows Pleasant Street Primary School pupil Nick Fidler, 10, to get close to a crocodile as part of the Nat Geo Wild program. Picture: **Lachlan Bence**