

The Suzuki violin barbecue in Port Levy.

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The Davis family spent the morning tidying up. They moved furniture around and the kids had showers and tidied their desks.

At about two people started arriving. The musicians were: Anoushka and Lara Chiswell, James and Ellie Rice, Henry, Oscar and Lila Nicholson, Trinity Warwick-Barr, Marijke and Lewis Cooper and Lydia Robinson.

The children all went up to the hay loft and jumped off the hay bales. Anoushka did a forward flip and a backwards flip of the bales. Ben tried to make a plastic slide but it collapsed. The girls came down from the loft and had a drink break then they tried to spy on the boys. They couldn't find them so then they went to play on the stuff in the back yard. Soon afterward it was time to play violin.

The guitarist, Lara, played Allegro then the violinists played Minuet 1 by Bach, Gavotte by Becker, Theme from "Witches' dance" by Paganini, Gavotte by Lully, Concerto No 5 - 3rd movement by Seitz, Chorus from "Judas Maccabaeus" by Handel, Two grenadiers by Schumann, Concerto No 2 - 3rd movement by Seitz, Musette by Bach and two Twinkle variations. After that they got an ice cream and then a barbecue.

After the barbecue, Suzanna, Lydia, Anoushka and Marijke went out to the big rope-swing. They did a few single swings and then doubles. Part way through Lila came with Jill, the dog. Jill had a scratch on her head and the inside of her lip was bleeding. The girls went back to the barn and started a siege for cardboard against the boys who were in the barn. The girls locked the door and wouldn't unlock it until they had the cardboard that they wanted.

A little while after being let out of the barn, the boys launched an

attack to try and get back the cardboard. They got a little of it but then it was time for everyone to go home. Ben and Suzanna were left with tidying up the mess in the barn and by the girl's base. With the help of their Mum they got it done though.

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