



Olympics comes to Kongorong



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A PART of the Beijing Olympics came to the Kongorong Primary School on Monday.

The small school was one of just 20 in Australia that was selected to participate in a ground breaking program that allowed students to talk live with Australian Olympians over the internet during the 2008 Olympic Games in China.

Kongorong students spoke to Australian rower Amber Halliday as part of the Chat to a Champ initiative.

And the students didn't let the opportunity slip, as they asked Halliday varying questions about her sport and what she loves most about the Olympics.

The Chat to a Champ program was possible because of a partnership between Telstra, the Australian Olympic Committee and Lenovo, which provided the latest notebook computer

technology for the interactive experience.

AOC president Mr John Coates said this program helps extend the Olympic Games experience to local communities.

"This type of activity has never been done before in the history of the Olympic Games," Mr Coates said.

"It is a fantastic program which reaches out to our youngest supporters by providing them with a chance to engage one-on-one with our finest athletes through the latest technology."



□Kongorong Primary School students spoke to Olympic rower Amber Halliday on Monday



□ A large crowd gathered at Nelson for the Vic Bream classic event last weekend.



□ Kongorong Primary School student Kimberly Tan, 12, asks Australian Olympic rower Amber Halliday a question on Monday.