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Year 12

It is time again to say good bye to another excellent



Have you enjoyed your trip to Australia? If so, what have been the most enjoyable parts?

Tebogo: Yes, the most exciting part was interacting ZLWK WKH VWDä DQG VWXGHQWV RI 2[OH\ 7KH DVVHPEO\ the hall, the discipline and the engagement of young people and student leaders was perfect.

Senatla: I have enjoyed my stay here, being teachers we have loved seeing how the library is used, especially by students and how it is promoting the culture of reading within students.

What has been the largest culture shock/contrast between Botswana and Australia?

Tebogo: Academically, we were impressed by the independent learning among students and the use of technology. It really shocked us but we have to



MUSIC

Eminem: Kamikaze

Eminem's most recent album has come out as a surprise project, the announcement for only one song the day before, not even teasing an album; and a pleasant surprise it was. After a somewhat

FILM

Sierra Burgess is a Loser

, Q 1 H W À L [¶V JURZLQJ originals - Does "Sierra Burgess is a Loser" measure up?

When a boy named Jameie accidentally starts texting the FKDUDFWHURIPLV¿W 6LI her number belongs to the school's queen bee Veronica). Rather than telling the truth by revealing her WUXHLGHQWLW\WR-DP entangled in a web of lies.

By the sounds of this synopsis "Sierra Burgess is a Loser" seems like the plaster mould of a bland slumber party movie, that tries a little bit too hard to please everyone. Unfortunately, this is quite true.

Not even the star-studded cast 6 K D Q Q R Q 3 X U V H U I U R P Things", Noah Centineo from "All the Boys I've ever Loved Before") could redeem the lacklustre plot. The biggest issue is that the ¿OP¶V FRPSOLFDWLRQ L protagonist Sierra's fault and it PDNHV LW G L å F X O W W R V her character and the script forgives her long before the audience.

The biggest merit of "Sierra Burgess is a Loser" is the easy to digest Q D W X U H R I W K H ¿ O P twists or complex character arcs hence making it very easy to watch.

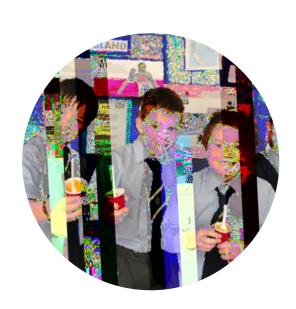
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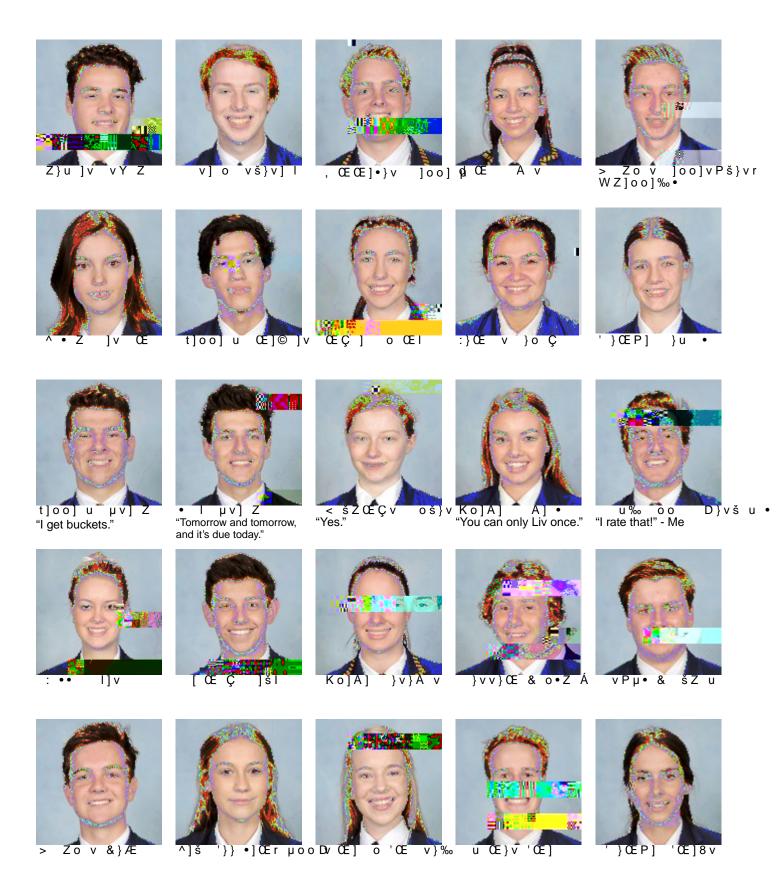


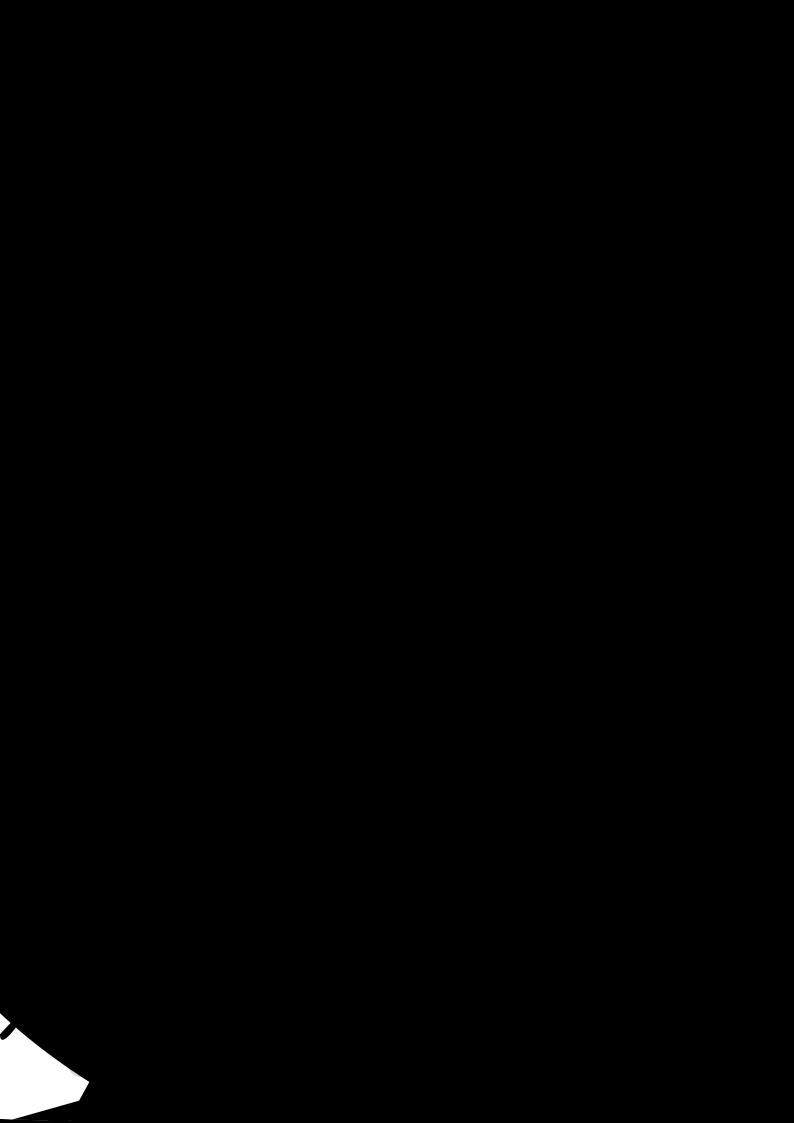






FAREWELL CLASS OF 20





DEPUTY HEAD REPORT

Deputy Head Pastoral: Mark Case

The end of Term 3 marks the departure of the Year 9 Service Learning trips and the Year 11 Outback expedition. These opportunities enable students to put our College values in to practice as well as to develop these character values. The work with our partner schools in Botswana, Fiji and Nepal exemplify the values of Justice and Humanity, through service and care for others. Indeed, the many fundraising events organised this year by the Oxley community, along with W K H S U R ¿ W V I U R P W K H µ 2 ä 7 K H \$5166 for each of our partner schools and will make a meaningful contribution to the lives of young people in these communities.

Along with the Year 11 Outback experience, the Service Learning trips are also an opportunity to foster the &ROOHJH YDOXHV RI:LVGRP DQG VWUHQJWKV DQG)RUWLWXGH DQG VWUHQJWKV 7KH H[SHULHQFH RI environments develops perspective, curiosity and openmindedness; whilst the challenge of being away from KRPH DQG LQ D YHU\GLäHUHQW SDU development of resilience, courage, self-discipline and patience. The Year 9 overseas trips exemplify Service Learning: meaningful community service alongside an enriching learning experience.



NEPAL

Last year I had the pleasure of taking a group of Year 9 students to Nepal. They were wonderful ambassadors for our college. One student, Bryce Wellman was taken by the amount of work the elderly were doing to feed their cattle. We all observed locals carting large amounts of grass on their back which took most of the day to collect. Bryce returned from Nepal and wanted to PDNH D GLÄHUHQFH DQG RUJDQLVH

raised over \$300. He then approached the local shops and purchased a Whipper Snipper which he presented WR WKH FROOHJH WR WDNH EDFN more photos.) What a kind and thoughtful gesture which shows the real spirit of what these trips are all about. Yesterday he handed an envelope with left over Nepalese notes and coins and hoped we would take this over and also help someone in need. Oxley values of kindness, compassion and humility come to mind.

6KHOI¶ FDIP KDYH UDLVHG By Peter Ayling







WHAT'S HAPPING? IN THE WORLD...

When Oxley began in 1983, world population was 4.7 billion. As we celebrated Oxley's 35th birthday on Saturday evening, world population stood at 7.6 billion. That's 2.9 billion more people using the earth's resources and why the Oxley Environment Group decided to ensure that the waste from our celebrations was managed appropriately.

When the rest of Year 11 were probably still in bed on Sunday morning or of strawberries. Across the nation, it was reported that over 25 needles have been found in strawberries, a IURP DOPRVW VWDä DQG SDUHQWVZKR GDWahahaan Walphetoo. Though it Was ported that over 25 needles have been found in strawberries, a IURP DOPRVW VWDä DQG SDUHQWVZKR GDWahahaan Walphetoo. Though it Was ported that over 25 needles have been found in strawberries, a uncertain to tell copycat incidents apart, this event has caused huge addition, over 100 wine bottles found a home in the recycling bins.

This consideration of waste is not new to Oxley. Earlier this year, the Oxley Environment Group determined that many of the bottles sold at the canteen are eligible for the 10c refund and as a result we have been recycling the containers since Term 2. In the 17 weeks that we have been collecting, we have earned \$304.10. This is money we can reinvest into other initiatives at Oxley so that in another 35 years when we celebrate Oxley's 70th birthday, we can still enjoy the beautiful environment that is Oxley College.

By Ruth Shedden

Australian Strawberry Sabotage

As the news spreads, it has become known to the majority of Australians as the current Strawberry Sabotage; ¿QGLQJ QHHGOHV LQ of strawberries. Across the nation, it was reported that over 25 needles have been found in strawberries, a uncertain to tell copycat incidents apart, this event has caused huge ¿QDQFLDO DQG UHSXWD on the strawberry industry. With the produce being unwanted by consumers a number of strawberry farms have dumped tonnes of their strawberries, their livelihood. A quote from the daughter of one HäHFWHG VWUDZEFsaid "This is no doubt the worst thing to ever happen to my family" 'RQQ\EURRN %HUULHV KDV QRW MXVW HäHFWHG LQGXVWU\ QDWLRQDOO\ E trade globally. This is seen in the blocking of Australian imports to both the UK and Russia. Australia's

OCTOBER CALENDAR

		Mon Nepal Trip Depart	Mon	8	Mon OLE Departures Year 7, 9,00am, Library Year 8, 9,00am, Library d •š }(^Ç U ō	steps
		Tue	2 ^{Tue}	9	Tue Year 5 and 6 OLE Springwood, 9.00a School Student Sei	m, Junior
		Wed Fiji Trip Depart	3 Wed	10	Wed	17
			Thu	11	Thu Year 3 and 4 Co Illawarra, 9.00an Student Services	n, Junior School
Fri Term Ends Year 12 Dinner Botswana OLE Depart	28	Fri	5Fri	12	Fri	19
Sat	29	Sat	6 Sat	13	Sat	20
Sun Outback Year 11 Depa	30	Sun	7 Sun	14	Sun	21





I have to say that this old tutor is extremely proud of all of the Oxley Pipe Band Members who attended the Canberra Piping and Drumming Workshop. Each and every one acquitted themselves admirably and certainly made an extremely favourable impression on all the tutors who dealt with them throughout the time. The Great Richard Hawke, piping gold medallist assessed our group as "cracking young pipers and drummers and great kids." To be able to get tuition from the masters of the piping world is something to treasure. Australia is so far away from these folk. The piping and drumming alables

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