

Key Dates

9 December—Beach Day

13 December—RFC Lunch

14 December—Myer Windows

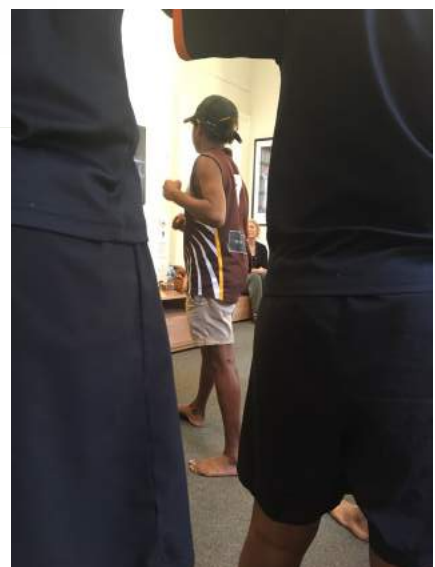
15 December—MITS
Graduation

16 December —Travelling
home

MITS Family Newsletter

Family BBQ

On Sunday 27 November we welcomed key people from our Partner Schools, and our Melbourne Families, to MITS for a Cultural Workshop and Family BBQ. Corey and Brady talked with our guests about cultural awareness and everyone had an opportunity to ask questions and learn about Aboriginal Australia. After the Workshop, nearly 100 people came together at the Boarding House for a delicious barbeque cooked by Philippa. It was a wonderful afternoon of conversation and community for our “MITS Family”.



Kingswood College

When we visited Kingswood College, it was great meeting new friends in class 7A. I enjoyed learning new things, like in the Chinese language class. I learnt writing in Chinese. I also did researching about the Northern Territory and it was great. I'm going to Kingswood with two other MITS girls next year. Their names are Penelope and Jody. Next year I'll be in Year 8B class and

Penelope will be in 8C class and Jody will be in 8D class. I'm really excited about next year and looking forward to meeting more new friends. I also can't wait to see my new host family next year. I hope to see Kathryn Smith who was drafted to the Melbourne Demons girls' football team. She was a Kingswood student this year before she was drafted.

Charmaine & Penelope



This term we have been visiting Kingswood College and met the Year 7 students. We did a little bit of work and we did some Year 8 classes to help us get organized for next year. Also, we got our new lockers and locks. Charmaine and I worked out the locks straight away, and Penelope is still working on hers. At recess we were kicking the footy around at the oval and then we did Chinese classes which was fun. Next year we will be going out camping and playing sports. Also, we are going to be learning about the Chinese language.

Jody

Melbourne Grammar

Next year Edward and I are going to Melbourne Grammar. There are people there that really want Aboriginal boys to go there. We think we are ready to go there. It is going to be really hard, but it will be worth it and we will learn a lot and try our best. At the boarding house there are nice boys and our room-mates are kind.

Transtian & Edward



Brighton Grammar

Jordan and I went to Brighton Grammar for a school visit last week. We both stayed the night at our host families houses. It was fun to stay and I liked playing with the nerf gun with my host brothers. The next day I went to Jordan's house and we swam in the pool. At school we did heaps of school work and played basketball with our new friends. I feel very excited about going to Brighton next year, I can't wait to go there.

Troy & Jordan





St Kevin's

Next year I am going to St. Kevin's with Trevor and John. When I first heard about St. Kevin's I was feeling nervous, proud and excited. After visiting, I am feeling good about the school. I made some new friends. There are two buildings there - the Smith building and the other one I forgot the name. The buildings are little bit fancy and old.

I AM LOOKING FORWARD FOR NEXT YEAR

Jayread & John

Next year me, John and Jay-read are going to St' Kevin's school. It is good. I think that St. Kevin's is a big school and on our first time there, we met new teachers and other students. When I went to lunch and I saw my footy mates, I went and played footy with them. Next year I am looking forward to going to my new school. All the classes was very good and all the kids are nice and good.

Trevor



Methodist Ladies College

Next year I will be attending MLC. Being able to attend MLC is going to be a privilege. I'm so excited for next year to hang out with all my new friends. I am also excited to try new things and have new experiences. Going to MLC, I hope the school will help me to get a good education and have a good future.

Fiona



Yarra Valley Grammar

Next year Chelsea and I are going to Yarra Valley Grammar. Last week we were at the school all week, going to different classes like Art, Science, Personal development and Drama. The students are nice and they treat us the right way. They are a little bit crazy, in a fun way. Some of the student's names are Ben, Aijah, Gideon, Tessa and Mason and they are really friendly. The uniforms are just like ours but the collars are

different. We went into the shop and we got almost everything, but we have to get our bags and shoes next year. Steph is a great teacher because she is helpful, nice and looks after us.

Tatiana & Chelsea





Geelong College

On Thursday the 1st of December we went to Geelong College for a sleep-over so that we can get used of being there. When we got settled in, the Captains set up a game for the new boarders before dinner. After dinner, all the girls went onto the oval and played Stuck-in-the-mud and Octopus. Later on, we went back to our boarding house and watched a movie then we went to bed. The next day we went to school, but Tammy and I went separate ways. After school, Rhiannan picked us up and drove us back to Lockington. We were happy to be back at Lockington with our friends.

Layla & Tammy

Trinity Grammar

When I first visited Trinity I was nervous, but when I got used to it, I started to get to know people. When it was recess and lunch, Anthony's and my friend Calvin would come and get us and we'd go and get lunch and hang out with him in his office. Then we'd wait for someone to come pick us up. I started talking to others and after the third time of being picked up, we walked to class by ourselves and started playing with our friends at recess. That's how it went at our next year's school.

Junior

Trinity is a good school that Junior and I are going to until Year 12.

I think it is great that I am going with Junior because we respect each other and we will support each other.

I think that the Trinity boys are very respectful and they are good at making new friends. They like playing footy. We have been in a few classes and we've been in Maths, Art, Music, Sport and History.

Anthony

International Volunteer Day—5 December 2016

Monday was International Volunteer Day, a day on which we were able to thank our willing and enthusiastic volunteers for their support of our MITS community and in particular, of our wonderful MITS students.

Our volunteers have helped in the classroom, joined the students on weekends, at homework support sessions, on camps and excursions, taken students to school and other visits, tended the Lockington garden, painted fences, organised fundraising events, and contributed in myriad ways to life at MITS in 2016.

We are very grateful for the commitment and contribution of all our volunteers and look forward to seeing them in 2017.





