The year 11 students started their CAS Class Trip on Thursday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of June at 6.30 am in the morning. CAS is the acronym for Creativity, Activity and Service. Students in the IB program must fulfill several tasks which they clearly can relate to Creativity, Activity and Service. The CAS Class Trip was organised to offer students a range of activities related to CAS.

#### Day 1 (Thursday, the 9th of June)

On their first morning they were on their way to Bermagui to visit the sustainability camp The Crossings. After arriving in Bermagui Dean and his friendly staff welcomed us and we hiked for an hour towards the camp and were introduced to some camp rules. After a cup of tea and short introduction of the camp facilities students took part in a variety of activities like working in the garden and harvesting some vegetables for dinner, planting some trees, feeding the chicken, preparing dinner, etc.





One of the rules which was a little bit hard for the students was to hand over their technical devices to be more focussed on the offered activities. Despite some concerns students started to enjoy this freedom of being not available.





# Planting trees



Preparing Dinner



## Restructuring the garden bed







Day 2 (Friday, the 10<sup>th</sup> of June):

Breakfast in the morning, the sun is shining, after a cold night the students enjoyed a hot cup of tea and some porridge.











After this good start in the morning the students were split into different groups and worked again on planting trees, restructuring the garden, getting some information about the Koala program, etc.

They use canoes to transport trees to the place where they should be planted.











Happy Kids:



## Beautiful nature:



Year 11

Young chefs:

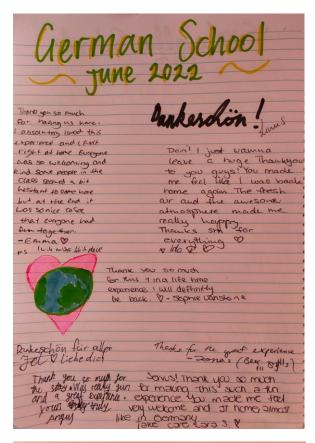


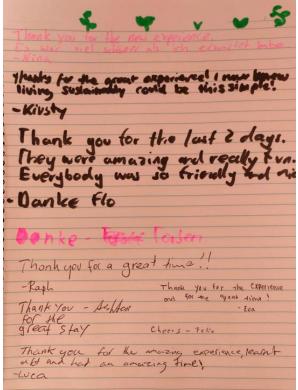


Day 3: Saturday, the 11th of June

After packing and tidying up the students had some breakfast.





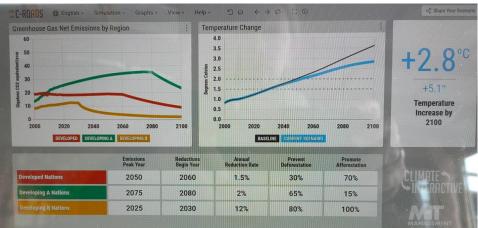


They finished their last morning with the **World Climate Simulation Game** with the goal to discuss as a representative of a specific country a strategy to reduce the global warming to 2 degrees or below during the next few decades. Students used a simulator to evaluate how effective their planned strategies will be.









After two days in this beautiful countryside and with the great hospitality of Dean and his staff we sadly had to say goodbye and started our way to Bermagui.

In the evening they enjoyed great Italian food and the company of their classmates.







Day 4: Sunday, the 12th of June – on our way to Jindabyne

After a quick breakfast and packing the luggage we started our trip to Jindabyne.





### A short Break on Cooma ...



...where we picked up Mr Christ



Quick lunch:



## Off we go



Finally, we arrived in Jindabyne, The Station







Day 5 and 6: Queen's Birthday until Tuesday (13<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> of June)

Well prepared for the snow:





And here is the well-deserved snow:



First ski lessons







Great snow and great students



With a heavy heart but after a thoroughful decision we made our way home to Terrey Hills on Wednesday, the  $15^{\rm th}$  of June.

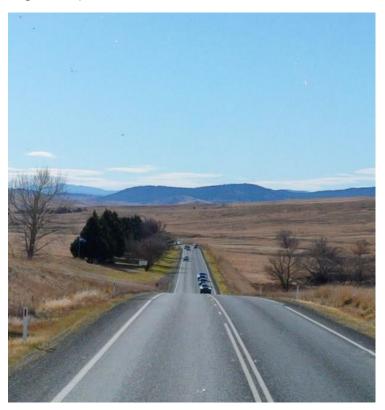
Nevertheless smiley faces...



A little bit tired...



A great trip came to its end.



### Feedback of some students about their most positive outcome of this CAS Class Trip

Bonding with the class

Having fun at the snow with fellow classmates and bonding with one another.

was fun to spend time before I leave

Learning to snowboard

I love how I learned a lot about bush fires, which are really a big thing in Australia. How they can be prevented, how they start, how to start controlled bush fires, how to find out how high the fire risk is. I also liked the time off the phone, I think it was the perfect amount of time, even though I would've liked to take some photos myself.