

Reflection on Perth Study Tour 2014

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It was really an eye-opening experience for me to go to Perth with my schoolmates for two weeks. During this trip, I noticed that there is a huge difference between people in Hong Kong and Australia. Hong Kong people are so busy that we seldom enjoy the beauty of our nature as we always have so much work to do. However, Australian people understand the importance of striking a balance between working and having enough time to relax. They spend most of their time on weekends with their family members and friends.

I have learnt a lot in Australia. Australian people are aware of environmental protection because they think that it is their responsibility to protect their nature. I really enjoyed going to Kings Park which is a mixture of botanical gardens and grassed parklands. It is encouraging to know that two thirds of the grounds were conserved as native bushland in Kings Park. According to our tour guide, apart from economic development, the Australian government has had put a lot of effort on environmental protection in order to build a future in which Australian people can live in harmony with nature.

Moreover, I realized that Australian people were very polite. They always said 'good morning', 'excuse me' and 'have a nice day' to others. When they got off the bus, they also thanked the bus driver. I realized that I should not take everything for granted. When someone has helped you, you should express your gratitude to him. In addition, I have learnt that we should take care of other people around us. Without the support and encouragement given by my teachers and friends, I would not have been gained a lot from the trip.

I hope that I can go to Australia with my family in the near future.