Reflection on Cairns Study Tour 2016 Written by Sy Lok Yin, Alan

In this exchange tour, I learned a lot and saw many things. We went to many places in Cairns such as Hartley's Crocodile Adventure Park, Jacques Coffee Plantation Farm, Botanic Garden, Mossman Gorge, Rusty's Market, Cairns City, etc...It's not only a tour to learn English, but we also could have a look of another country.

Every day, we attended English lesson for three hours at the school. The school is called Sun Pacific College. The teachers were nice. I learned lots of vocabulary in the lesson. Moreover, we had many interactive activities in the lessons such as drawing maps, singing, guessing game, interview, etc...

In the afternoons, we were led by different tour guides who were knowledgeable about Cairns. They were so passionate and tried to tell a lot about the places we visited. One of them was called Jason. He introduced his mango farm to us. It is so lovely to know later that he is actually a teacher in Sun Pacific College when I bumped into him again in the school. What a surprise! Jason is both an English teacher and a farmer!

My host family are kind and helpful. I lived in the host family with Jason Lau and Issac Li. The host father is so passionate that he showed us his photos to talk about his life. I want to say thank you to the host family because the host father always drove us to the school and the host mother always made delicious lunch for us.

In this tour, I have known more about the culture in Australia, such as all are friends in the neighbourhood which is not the same in Hong Kong. Also, there are many bungalows next to the beach. The buildings there are not more than three storeys.

Most people in Australia are not aboriginals. They came from different countries .Also, I have learnt some history of Australia, like Australia joined the World War 2 and fought with Japanese.

Last but not the least, I was so excited when I was visiting the Green Island. This is because it was my dream to visit this place. Thank to school for actualizing my dream. I hope I can visit Australia in the very near future again.