TERM 2 : FRIDAY 22 JUNE



REV. BILL CREWS VISITS THE COLLEGE

This term, the students in Year 10 Geography have been studying the differences in Human Wellbeing all around the world, and the many natural and man-made factors which affect people's quality of life.

Students investigated wellbeing in Sydney through a case study on homelessness and inequality, including the people who are often the most vulnerable, the causes for homelessness, and the social and economic impacts that this has on people.

On Friday 8 June, the Reverend Bill Crews, founder of the Exodus Foundation in Sydney, visited us to share a more personal side to the issue of homelessness. Students heard the stories of different homeless people and the work that his charity does with homeless people both here in Sydney and overseas in Thailand. Students also learned about some ways that we can respond to people in this situation, such as donating money, materials or time to support organisations, showing respect to them, listening to their stories, or showing an act of kindness.

Students were able to demonstrate this on the day by collecting and donating seven baskets filled with canned food, blankets, beanies, scarves and socks. We would like to thank parents and students for their generosity in supporting those in need.

The Reverend Bill Crews began the Exodus Foundation in 1989, to provide support, resources and services to people who become homeless in Sydney. Some of their initiatives include distributing food parcels, operating the Loaves & Fishes Free Restaurant, offering primary healthcare, as well as hosting financial planning sessions, domestic violence support groups and recreational activities.

If you would like to find out more information about the Exodus Foundation, or to donate to their winter appeal, please go to https://www.exodusfoundation.org.au/

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