

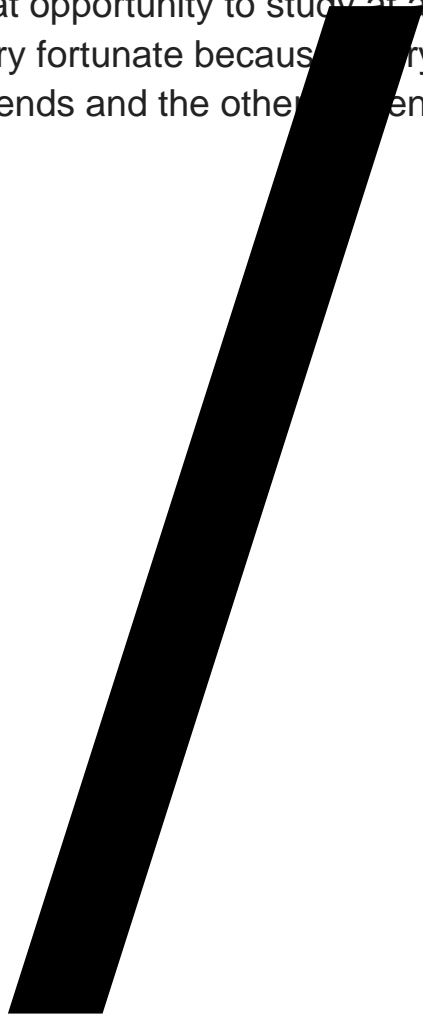
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In Year 11, I was lucky enough to go on an exchange to Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School in Western Australia, two hours south of Perth. This was the first exchange between the two schools. I left in the second week of the October school holidays.

The exchange to Bunbury was for three weeks and I stayed with my exchange student, Harry Wilson, and his family.

This exchange was a great opportunity to study at another school in a different country. I was very fortunate because Harry and I got on well. His friends became my friends and the other students were very welcoming towards me.

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difference, did not help. During his weekends, we took Harry to Akaroa and Queenstown.

I encourage the boys to take opportunities like these where you are able to go somewhere else, experience a different school, and live with a different family. For me, it was an international adventure. It is a good way to meet new friends. I have made a friend for life and Harry will be coming over this Christmas.

I strongly encourage you to consider an exchange program for