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This book is a gift from the children
of Australia. More than 12,000 drew pictures
to help welcome you to your new home.
We all hope you enjoy your life here.

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WELCOME TO AUSTRALIA

my favourite place to visit is the gold coast or the beach!



my favourite thing to do is Climb Trees!

By Sarah



Why I Call Australia Home



I call Australia home because everyone is nice and there will always be someone that went through what you have.



By: Natalie

THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING

By: Domouan



Australia is a country every forward as if you live here, you are promised to move forward.



Australia is YOUR HOME



Welcome

At Marruville Primary

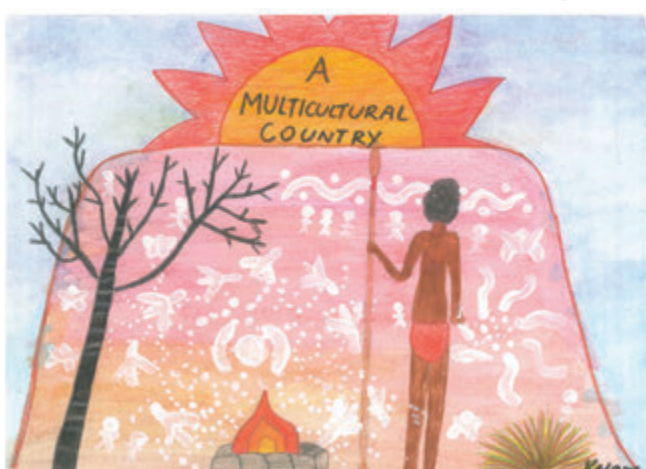
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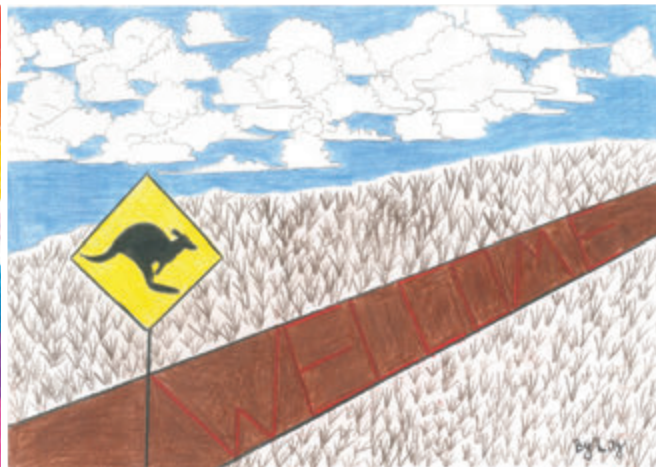


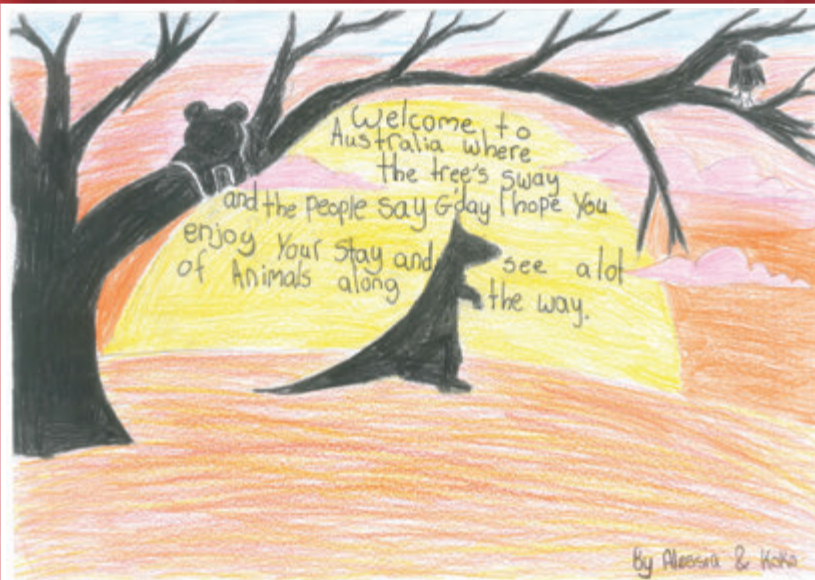
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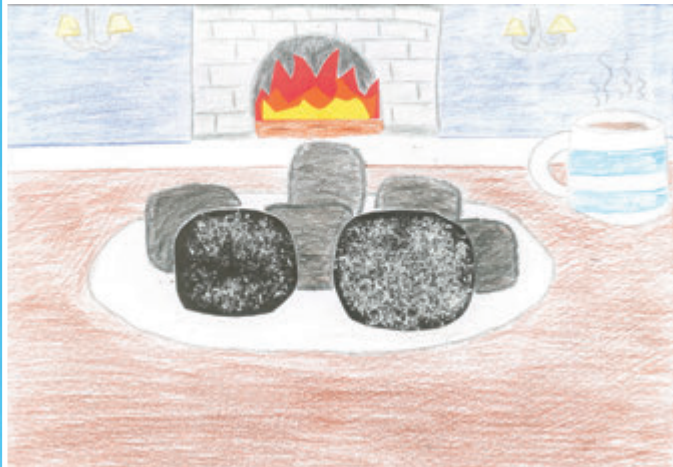


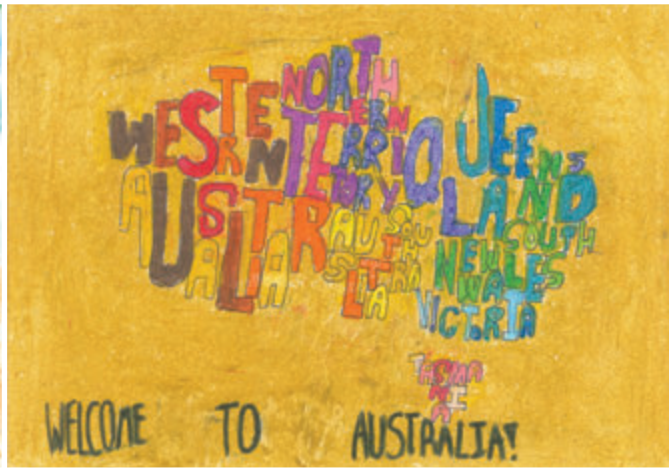


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Amjad, 12 Syria

Year of arrival: 2016

First impressions of Australia:

When I first saw Australia, I liked it. My aunty lives here too and that made me feel happy when I arrived.

Hardest part of moving:

The journey was a bit too long. It took us three days to come to Australia. Leaving friends and family was also very hard for me.

Favourite thing about living in Australia now:

My favourite thing about Australia is that it is safe.

Favourite place you've visited:

* I visited the hills with my family and I enjoyed it. ○

Advice to kids who've just arrived in Australia:

Don't be shy to ask questions and keep trying and learning.



Henna, 11 Malaysia

Year of arrival: 2005

First impressions of Australia:

I was too young, so I can't remember.

Hardest part of moving:

The hardest part is that other family members were left behind.

Favourite thing about living in Australia now:

The food here is nice and multicultural.

Favourite place you've visited:

The shopping mall.

Advice to kids who've just arrived in Australia:

* Have fun and study hard for a good future!



Kate - Sydney High School



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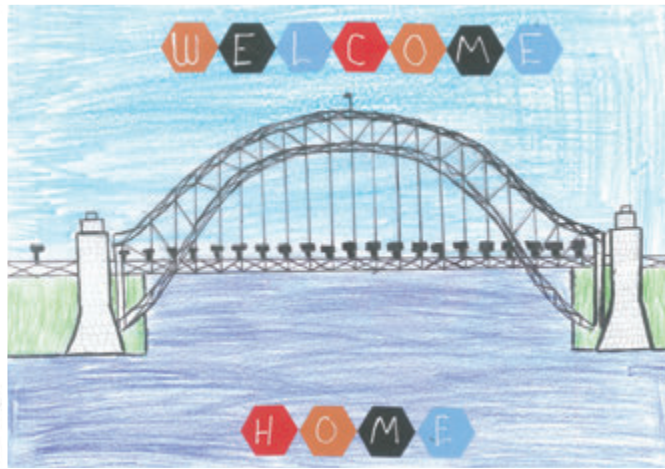
"I made a house for them so that they don't have to cry because they don't have a house."
 - Jack

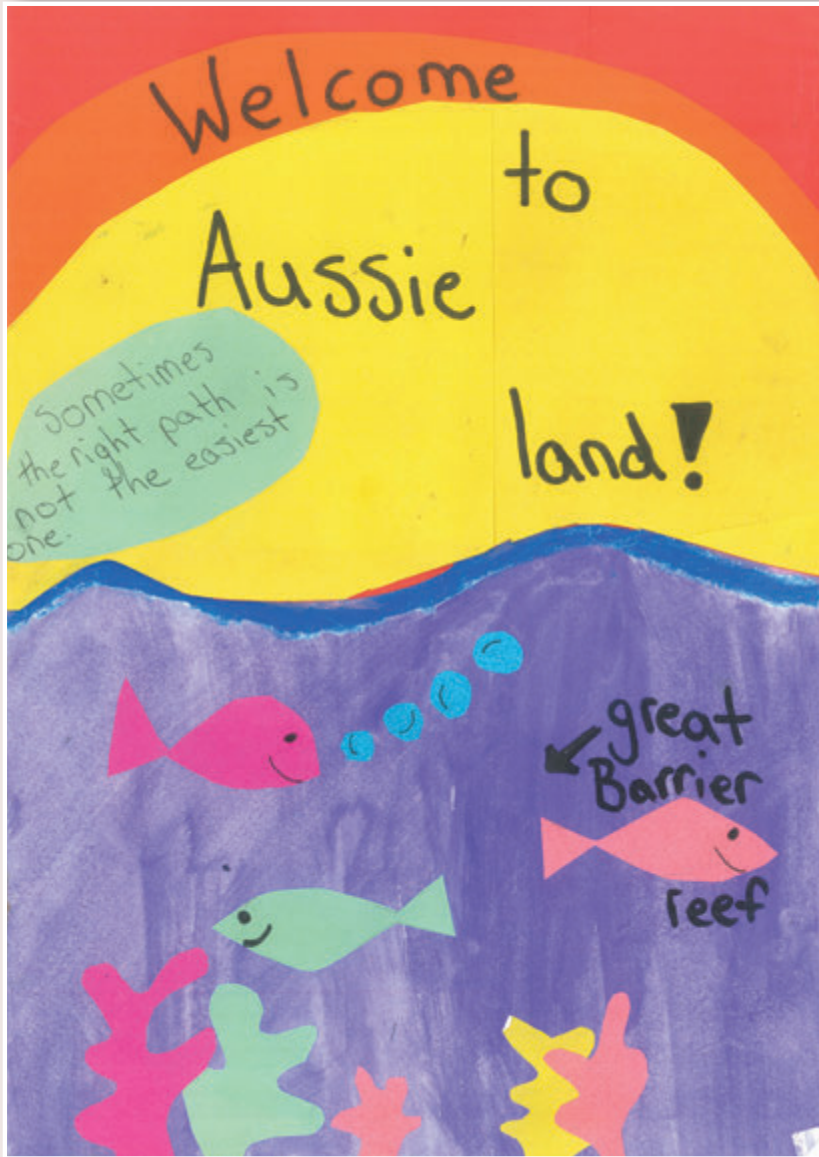






Today might not be the best day, but there is always a great day ahead. So today you should celebrate, because you are in Australia!







Mir, 17 Afghanistan

Year of arrival: 2014

First impressions of Australia:

I thought, "this is a good place." I felt happy!

Hardest part of moving:

I thought it was going to be really hard, but it was actually much easier than I thought because everyone was really welcoming.

Favourite thing about living in Australia now:

The beaches.

Favourite place you've visited:

Victor Harbour in South Australia.

Advice to kids who've just arrived in Australia:

It's a safe country, we will be OK.



Georgia, 12 New Zealand

Year of arrival: 2014

First impressions of Australia:

My first impression was that it had a totally different climate to New Zealand.

Hardest part of moving:

The hardest part of moving is not knowing anyone at first.

Favourite thing about living in Australia now:

The nice beaches!

Favourite place you've visited:

Parliament House in Canberra.

Advice to kids who've just arrived in Australia:

Join clubs, get to know people and explore lots of places.

Our favourite things



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Camping
in Australia

What I Love about living in

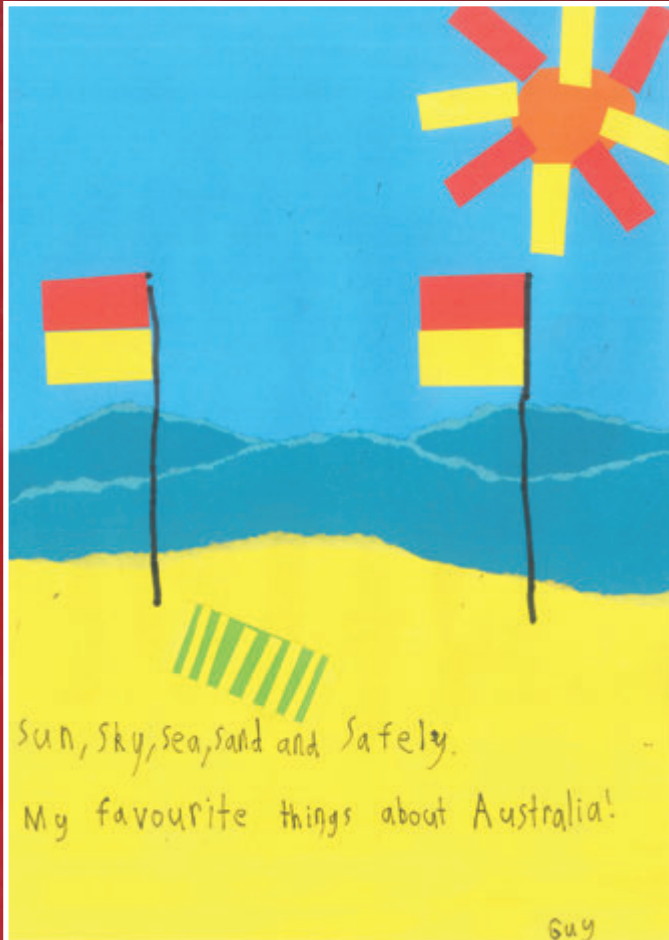


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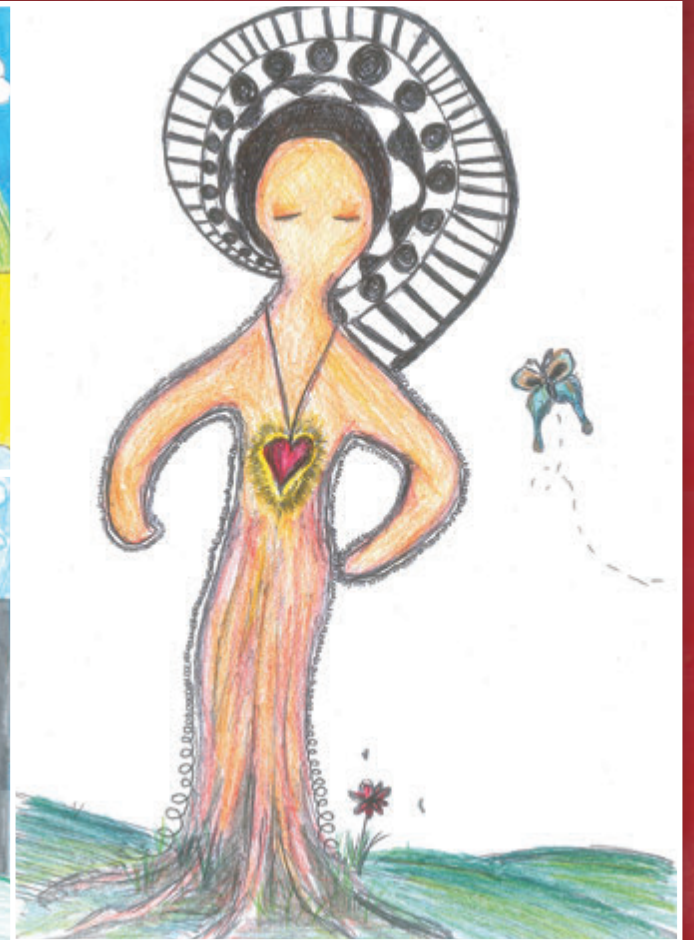
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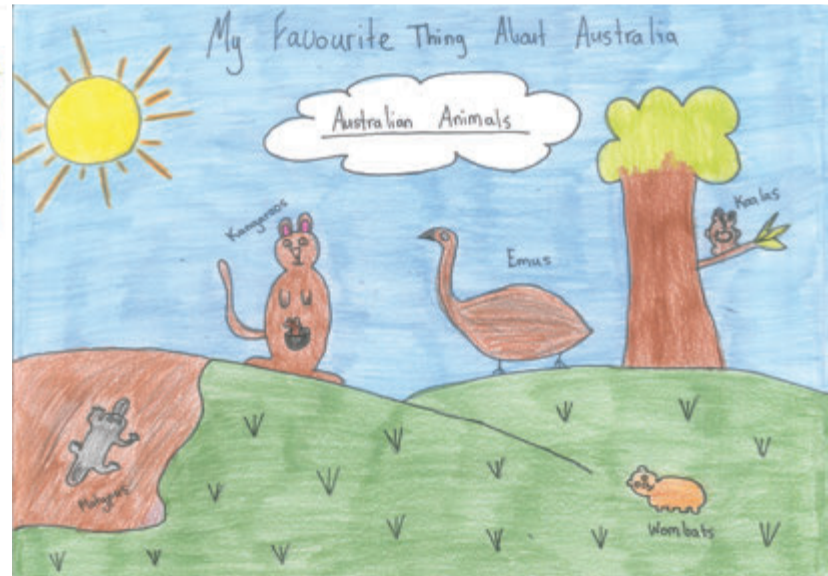




Jaime & Susi, Corinne Primary School



My favourite thing about living in Australia is the wildlife!

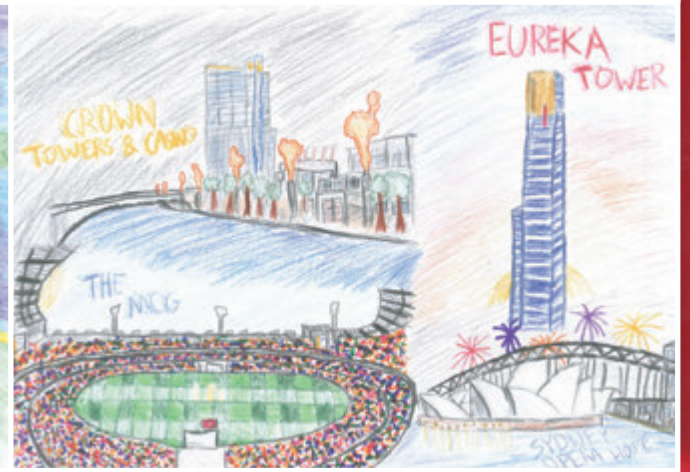
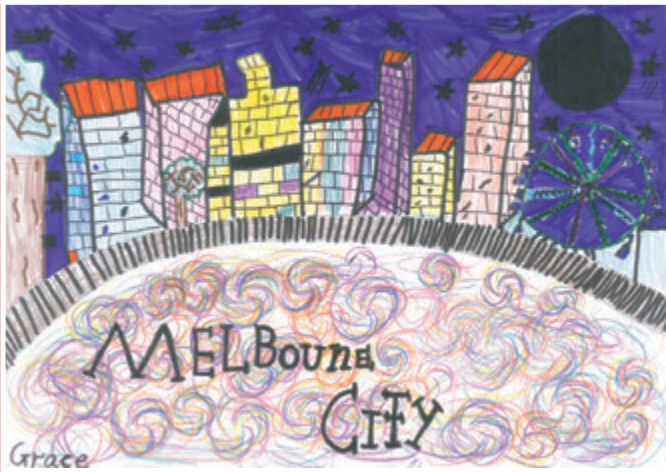
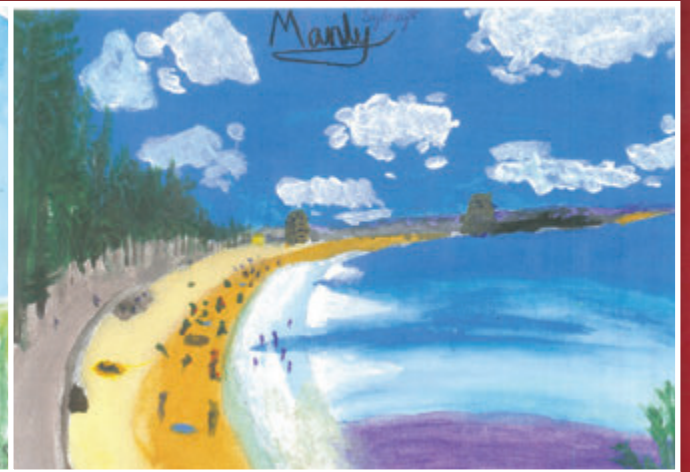


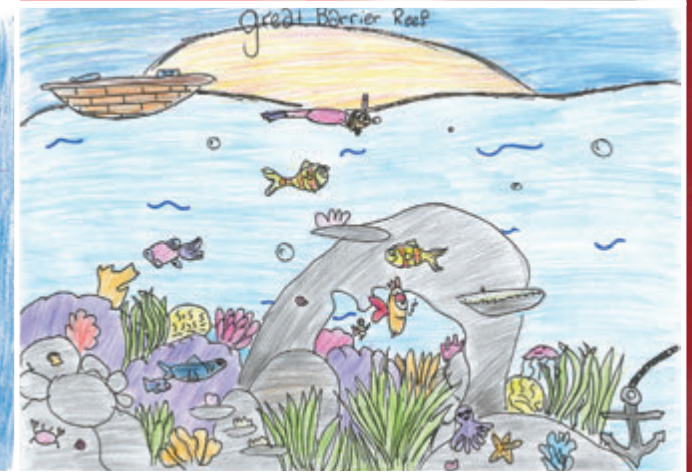
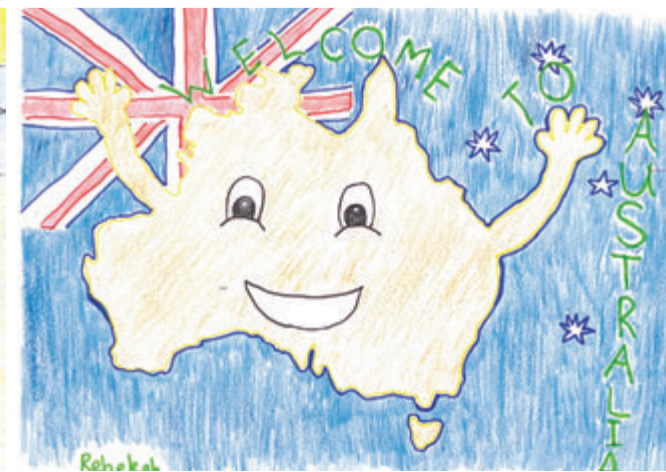
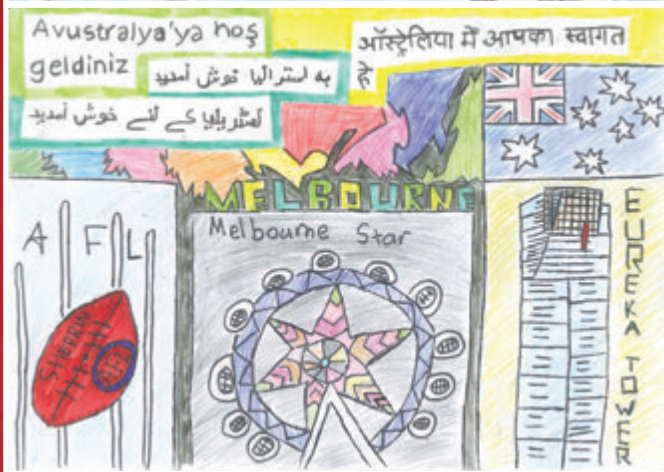
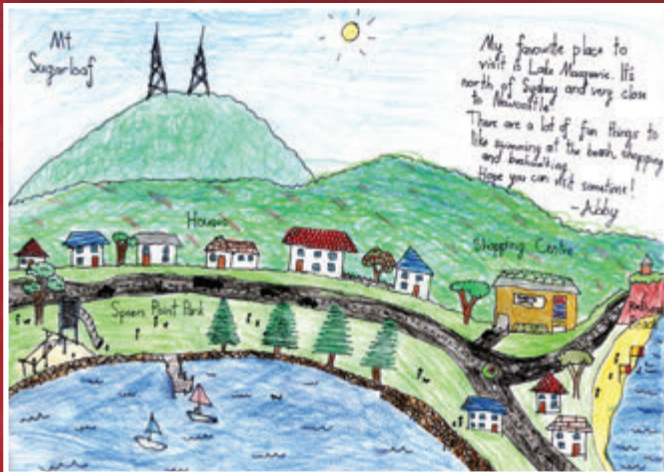
Our favourite places



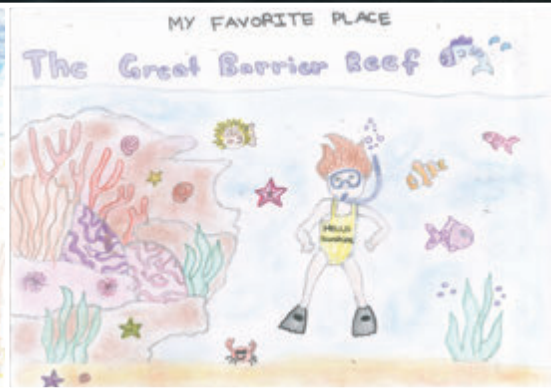














Tikah, 15 Liberia

Year of arrival: 2006

First impressions of Australia:

I was just a baby when I came here,
so I don't really remember!

Favourite thing about living in Australia now:

I love the people.

Favourite place you've visited:

My favourite place is the busy city!

Advice to kids who've just arrived in Australia:

Stay in school and learn all you can.



Nahiyah, 9 Bangladesh

Year of arrival: 2012

First impressions of Australia:

Where are all the kangaroos?

Hardest part of moving:

I miss my grandparents.

Favourite thing about living in Australia now:

My favourite things are swimming at the pool,
going to school and eating pizza!

Favourite place you've visited:

My favourite place is the beach.

Advice to kids who've just arrived in Australia:

People are nice in Australia.

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Everyone deserves to feel welcome.

That's why more than 12,000 Australian kids volunteered to draw pictures to welcome the thousands of young refugees and migrants who move to Australia each year.

This book will be given to each of them as a gift. We hope it will make every young migrant and refugee feel safe and valued as they start their new life in Australia. From all of us...

Welcome!

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