## St Paul's International School 25th Anniversary 2022

## Past Student "Stories" from 2011 - Part Three

Following the rebranding of St Paul's School with the new tagline 'Create your own story' in 2011, students at SPIS wrote about their stories and life at our school. Here is Part 2 - some more of their stories.

## 1. Joachim (Jojo) Hermann Paul BRINKMANN (2010 – 2012)







My name is Joachim, I am 17 years old and I come from Erwitte in Germany. I am currently in grade 11 and my subjects are business and sport. I chose St Paul's because a friend of my mother recommended the school. I have to admit that I was a bit sceptical about the Australian system of education especially wearing school uniform, but it turned out to be very interesting for me and I have really started to enjoy this type of school. The most important thing for me about St Paul's is the wide variety of sport activities. So I was not only able to play soccer, but also to experience sports that I have never done before like rugby. In the future I'd like to become an international lawyer because I like travelling and exploring new countries and cultures as well as working for people and getting to understand their view of law.

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### 2. Pui Yiu (Kitty) LEUNG (2009-2011)







#### My story

I'm an international student who comes from Hong Kong. My name's Kitty. I'm turning 18 this year. I've been to Australia for a year and a half. I'm a current year 12 student in St Paul's School.

I choose to study in Australia due to my ambition for improving my English and experience more. Also I hope to meet more friends around the world and try to be more independent, like taking care of myself, rely less on people, that sort of stuffs.

I am happy to study in St Paul's; it's a school which has lots of fun activities. Besides, the students in St Pauls are friendly and kind. I have many friends who come from different countries, such as Korea, Japan, Thailand, China, Italy, Spain and of course the local students in here. They are all easy-going and passionate.

Since I've been studying in St Pauls, my English has improved obviously, no matter in Speaking, listening, reading or writing. The teachers in St Pauls help me a lot with that, I appreciate that.

However, everything here is very different to my hometown, for instances, the lifestyle, culture etc. It's a bit hard for me to live here. Therefore, I will not stay for university here. It sounds a bit sad but it's my decision. I hope I do not regret it.

At the moment, I just hope to live happily for the rest of my school life with my friends in St Paul's. Study together and have some good memories that we'll never forget. It's my honour to have them as my friends; I'm so glad and grateful. I hope these friendships can remain forever even if I'm not going to come back to Australia.

Kitty Leung



## 3. Chia Chi (Jacky) CHANG (2010-2011)





My Story

Hello everyone, my name is Jacky, I am from Taiwan. I came to Australia because I believe I can get a better education here. The reason I chose St Paul's is because its students have better results.

Now I am trying to find out what I am interested in and what I want to do in the future. I hope I will find out soon and I hope St Paul's can help me make the right choice so I can have the happy life I want.



### 4. Yunhe (Else) ZHANG (2008 - 2011)





# My Story

## Else Zhang

I came from Shanghai China. At the end of 2008, I decided to study abroad; finally I chose Australia and St Paul's School. I have been studied in International School for two terms. And at the starting from 2009 I graduated from international school and started begun my high school life in year 10. This year my third year in St Paul's School and I will be graduating soon. The school system is different from the place I came from. You can choose your own subjects based on your personal interest and your own future career. St Paul's school provides me a great chance for create our own stories. Teachers in St Paul's always encourage us to participate in school events. Assignments are always freaked me out but luckily my teachers helped me with my assignments. Finally, I want to thank all my teachers of their helping with my assignments and exams through these years. ©



### 5. Sing Yu (Samuel) LUM (2010 - 2011)





#### My story

Hi, I am an international student who comes from Hong Kong; I have been studying in St Paul's for about one and a half years. I choose Australia for my study because my auntie lives here and I can concentrate on my study in that good environment. The other reason is that I can improve my English here because I got a lot of new friends in school and makes me speak English more.

Studying in St Paul's has lots of fun because the Australian student are easy going and friendly to us even though I had a lot of problem when I first came to the school, but they still willing to help me. I enjoy the PE lesson so much as we have different kinds of sports for us and it makes me feel less stressful about the assignments and the exams. I am enjoying living with my homestay parents and they take care of me, every time when I am having the dinner with homestay, they always talk to me and share their experience etc. They have changed me a lot, particularly in lifestyle.

I am more independent since I came to Australia because my parents are not here and I have to take care of myself, this is good because we cannot rely on our parents that much and some of the things that we need to manage by ourselves, such as our ambition and what university is suitable to us. Anyway, I am happy to study here because I can learn a lot of things here and become mature.

Samuel

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### 6. Juyong (Jason) (2011 – 2014)





# MY STORY

My name is Jason and I am from Korea. I am 13 years old. I have parents and older brother names Scott. I am interested in playing card games and my hobby is basketball. My occupation is student. I decided to study English because English is an important language. I am going to study in St Paul's because my teacher said St Paul's will be helpful for my English. When I was in Korea I thought Australian people are all handsome, pretty and thin but Australian people are not and first impression was Australia is clean. Australia looked like a lot of buildings that is 1 or 2 stairs. I loved Australia's fresh air and weather. In conclusion I like teachers in St Paul's. My English has improved and I've made many friends. I would like to recommend others to come to Australia.

