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To Whom It May Concern:

On Wednesday the 28th of May, St Philomena's grade six students were fortunate enough to have the opportunity to view the 'Courage to Care' exhibition at the Gallery in Moree.

The students came away from the experience with a deeper understanding and empathy for the tragedy and loss bestowed upon thousands due to racism and discrimination throughout history. They were made aware of the fact that racism and discrimination – in terms of bullying, occurs in their daily lives. Class group dynamics became clear through the exhibition, and students were empowered by the presenters, realising that they can and should stand up to bullies.

I cannot in words, recommend this exhibition highly enough to teachers of upper primary and secondary students. The exhibition relates to curriculum content – particularly HSIE and can be fitted into programs easily. It promotes understanding and harmony in our multicultural society – something which we as teachers are constantly trying to promote.

A huge congratulations must go to the generous team involved in this exhibition. St Philomena's really benefited from listening to your very personal stories, and are very grateful that you were able to share such stories with us. This exhibition has raised awareness among our class group that racism and discrimination is unfortunately still occurring daily. Such awareness has empowered students to have the 'Courage to Care', and stand up for people who are being discriminated against.

Thanks again to all involved in 'Courage to Care'. I hope there are many more schools lucky enough to take part in your exhibition.

Yours sincerely,

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