

# THEIR FIELD TRIP SO FAR

April – June 2018

Our mission: To help young people pursue their **passion, peers and path.**



**ALEXIS (10):** Alexis joined The Field Trip at our KIDference in January and has become an active regular participant, opening up to the group about some of her personal challenges and having the courage to literally ‘speak even when her voice shakes’. She enjoyed meeting all of our guests this term and spoke confidently on the podcast for radio: “*In Their Shoes*”. She’s certainly pursuing her passion, peers and path, a great example of what The Field Trip is all about. We are thrilled she’s returning in Term 3 to create a comic book with herself as the hero of her own story.



**JESSIE:** Jessie joined The Field Trip as a Driver (leader) towards the end of Term 1. Her enthusiasm for the program and working with young Field Trippers was evident from her first session. Although encountering some significant personal challenges in the last few months, she persists and continues to grow and develop as an awesome leader (and person) and amazing contributor to The Field Trip program and team. Although fairly new to The Field Trip herself, she mentors the other leaders and takes charge of every session like she’s been doing it for years! Great work!



**ISOBEL (11):** Isobel also began her Field Trip journey at the KIDference in January, speaking out publicly regarding why it’s important to engage young people in government decision-making. Since then, she has further demonstrated her passion for community connection and social justice by attending a Field Trip session to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre in June.

## KEY STATS AND NEWS:

**Two chapters:** Riddells Creek and Daylesford

**Total number of employed Drivers (leaders):** 6

**Total number of kids signed up (aged 9-17):** 32

**Theme and partners for term:** *In Their Shoes* supported by Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Natasha Morgan, Daylesford Community Op Shop and Lush Foundation (all providing support for program, speakers and scholarships for Field Trip members)

## PARTNERSHIPS DURING THE TERM:

**Hepburn Shire Council:** for sponsoring our Driver in Training program, including training days and professional development for our leaders

**Hepburn Community Radio:** inviting Field Trip members on air to speak about the program and Field Trip experience (thanks Max Primmer)

**Community Leadership Loddon Murray:** hosting an event involving Field Trip members working with their 2018 leadership program participants

## QUOTE OF THE QUARTER:

**From Leah Sertori (CEO of Community Leadership Loddon Murray):** “Thank you SO much for an incredibly dynamic and engaging afternoon. Our participants have been talking about how great the Field Trippers were and how much they’d love to see the Field Trip start in some of their towns.”