

# A Fine Example to All

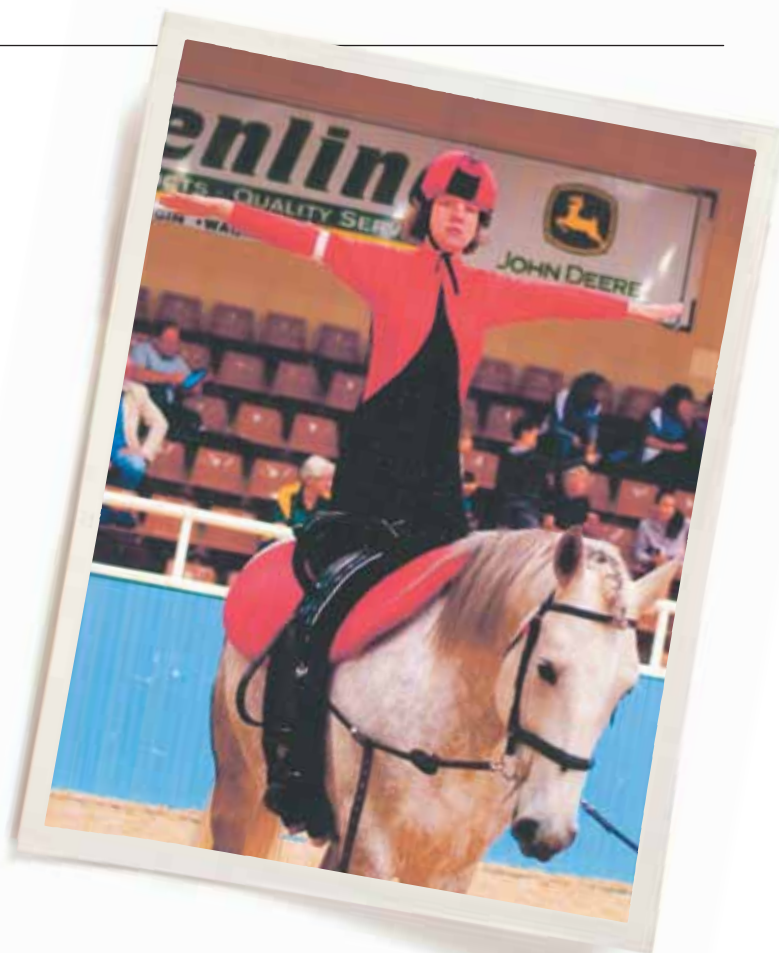
Kate Robertson (O8) was well known for her warm, friendly nature and her determined diligence in everything she pursued.

Work experience and community service were some of Kate's particular strengths. During her time at School she completed more than 200 hours of volunteer work at Riding Develops Ability, Bunbury Foodbank, Bunnings and Bunbury Gardens Nursing Home.

Kate contributed to School life in every way she could. Who could forget her magnificent efforts as cheerleader during the Interhouse Swimming Carnival? She also met the challenges of the 10 day Outward Bound Camp with great aplomb, managing the obstacles of such a camp with her trademark determination.

Kate's bubbly personality, positive attitude and concern for others helped break down many barriers for students with disabilities within our broader community. In 2008 Kate was awarded the Headmaster's Prize for the wonderful manner in which she managed her time at School and the positive impact she had on, and example she set for, other students.

Kate says she will always be grateful to all the staff at BCGS for making her feel so welcome.



"I will always have fond memories of my time at Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School."

Leaving school, Kate was determined to earn money to buy her own car, along with Beatles CDs (her favourite group) and to save for a trip to Disneyland. Returning to Foodbank where she had particularly enjoyed work experience, Kate worked hard to learn from others and develop new work skills. In fact she did so well that she was invited to become Foodbank's first paid staff member! Kate was honoured to present her employment journey to the 'Future Possibilities' Youth Conference in Bunbury.

Volunteer work remains a huge part of Kate's life. In 2011 her outstanding efforts were recognised when she was named as the South West Youth Volunteer of the Year. Perhaps you have seen her at an Old Grammarians' Association meeting or making people's days brighter on the newspaper and flower trolley at St John of God, helping out at RDA in Collie or undertaking a huge variety of tasks at the Dolphin Discovery Centre. Congratulations Kate on your outstanding generosity and achievements. You are a fine example to all.

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