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### Keian's story—My time at CEA

I can still remember my first day at CEA. I was a little bit nervous and I didn't know what to expect because it had been such a long time since I've been to an actual class. It turned out I had nothing to be afraid of. The other students were friendly and supportive, and the entire classroom had a friendly and easy-going atmosphere.

I also remember when I first started the Certificate II in Information, Digital Media and Technology course. I admit it was challenging at first and I felt a bit overwhelmed, but in the end I finished it and I'm glad I didn't let the work discourage me. My teacher was a huge help during this time and I'm very grateful for his help and input.

All in all, I enjoyed my stay at CEA and would not trade it for anything and I will always remember my time here and the people I've met.



*"I am now one step closer to reaching my goal"*

Thanks to CEA, I am now one step closer to reaching my goal which is a career in civil engineering. However, my next step will be to enrol at TAFE and complete the Certificate IV in Adult Tertiary Preparation and then continue on my journey.

By Keian  
~ SEE student

### Job outcome for Goodna SEE student

It has been an exciting month at Goodna. We heard from a former student, Adut Dawo, she has been accepted as an aged care nursing assistant in a nursing home. Adut migrated to Australia from South Sudan and was a witness to some horrific events some of which she has experienced herself. Initially, she struggled to manage her time between her family and her learning goals at the SEE program, Goodna. Eventually, she learned how to manage her time more effectively as she kept working towards her long term goals of improving her communication skills and writing skills constantly. She took some time off to do the Certificate III in Individual Support and was pleasantly surprised to get an

employment offer as a nursing assistant. Adut considers this employment opportunity as a new beginning even though she is a bit surprised that she is required to sleep in the daytime so that she can function optimally during her night shifts. As Adut embarks on her career path we wish her good luck for her all future endeavours.

By Vish  
~SEE teacher

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## Fantastic achievement for Kylie Gibbs



Kylie came to the SEE program 800 hours ago with a history of having lost her job due to epileptic seizures which she had at her workplace. She was leading a happy life as a single mum and had ongoing employment at Red Rooster. Suddenly all that fell apart when she had her first seizure, and within 24 hours she had multiple seizures. Kylie was deemed unfit to work in the hospitality sector as she could have injured herself in the event of a seizure.

Kylie came to the SEE program with very limited skills, low self esteem, absolutely no confidence and a deep sense of gloom about her. In the last 800 hours she worked hard towards her goal of improving her literacy and numeracy skills in order to retrain for a new job. She also pursued a Certificate II in Retail and will receive a Statement of Attainment for the units that she has completed. She also successfully completed her work experience with Bunnings, Bundamba for a period of eight weeks. Kylie has shown great courage and determination to overcome all the hurdles that she has faced. To acknowledge her successful completion of the SEE program, we had a farewell party and she glowed with happiness at her achievement and also looked a bit overwhelmed with emotion as she received her statement of attendance.

Kylie has been an inspiration for me as well. She has taught me that it is better to move on rather than whinge and whine about what life brings us. I wish her all the best for her future endeavours. Well done Kylie!

By Vish  
~ SEE teacher

## Celebration of Chinese/Vietnamese New Year at Inala SEE program

Below: Beautiful traditional dresses worn in the lucky colour red.



*"We were all very happy to celebrate the Year of the Rooster"*

Right: Some students played music and the Lucky dragon danced.

