

T.Y. Retreat 05-10-11 ***By Kirstin Patterson***

On Wednesday October 5th Transition Year students had their retreat here in school. Three retreat co-ordinators came from Grace- Diu; their names were Noola, Sheila and Lisa. To start the day off we all sang and danced along to the hoki-poki, causing fits of laughter for all! Next we separated out into groups and discussed relationships, which was the theme of our retreat. We also played a few games, each one teaching us a valuable lesson.



After break we were split into three separate groups, and we participated in three separate workshops. In one we painted circles of paper with our image of God in the centre, in another we went to the prayer room to meditate – cue snoring! And in the last workshop we picked cards with questions on them and explained our answer to the group.



Lastly the women set out a long rope in a spiral shape and placed different stages of the universe along it. Each student slowly walked along the spiral holding a candle while the story of the universe was being read out. We then placed the candles along the spiral each one representing the light we will bring with us into the future. Overall the retreat was enjoyed by all involved, it was a great day filled with fun and laughter.

