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# EDITOR'S NOTE

by noa abrahams

This term has seen some great development in The Crown. The first thing you might notice is the beautiful new design of our publication: after much deliberation, I have come up with a brand new structure in the long term for the magazine. Every third term edition (such as this one) will be designed by a guest graphic designer- year 11 student Tara Finkelstein has themed this edition with gentle watercolour-like strokes and gorgeous hand-drawn sketches, giving The Crown a bit more character. So as to maintain continuity, recognition and simplicity, the other term editions will follow the same format as that of the first edition.

This edition of The Crown highlights still more of the years 6-12 creativity and insight, with reflections on footy and India Week, summaries of science and sport, beautiful poems and some continuation from last term's edition. Content provided by years 6-12 will continue to be the core of the publication, a very lovely year 2 student is making a splash in this edition. Ruby Leibowitz is sharing her poem "A Respectful Nightingale", which is an exciting addition to The Crown.

So many exciting things are happening! Last week eleven contributors to The Crown were given the opportunity to go to Dumbo Feather, a Melbourne-based magazine edited and published by Berry Liberman. Their generosity was amazing- we had an hour long chat about Dumbo Feather and about the writing industry, and then were shown around their studio. It is filled with flowers and prints, the atmosphere is relaxing and yet encourages hard work and deep thinking.

This edition of The Crown is a reflection of many things- of (a lack of) structure and discussion on the ideal structure, of hard work, of beauty and of pride for the things we can create when we set our mind to something. We hope you enjoy Edition Two and are inspired to be innovative, creative and unique in your passions, as The Crown continues to grow.

xx Noa and the team



# RECIPES

by jonah epstein

## Smoothie

Please note: This smoothie is not meant to be healthy! Eat in moderation.

Serves: 1  
Prep: 5-10 min

Ingredients (all approx.):

Half a cup of any vanilla based ice cream (caramel, butterscotch, just nothing chocolatey)  
70g of frozen blueberries  
2 teaspoons of honey  
10 mL to 1/4 cup of milk depending on how thick you want it to be  
A tablespoon or two of Archie's blend (Oasis)  
One and a half bananas.

Method:

Blend all ingredients on high power for 3 minutes. Add milk to thin, add ice cream or banana to thicken.

## Kugelhof

by gab arnheim

Preheat the oven to 170 degrees celsius.

Ingredients:

4 eggs  
Butter the same weight as that of the 4 eggs  
Caster sugar the same weight as that of the 4 eggs  
Self raising flour the same weight as that of the 4 eggs  
2 heaped tablespoons of cocoa  
A little milk

Method:

Beat whole eggs with caster sugar until thick.  
In a separate bowl, cream butter, then add self raising flour.  
When mixed well, add egg mixture slowly.  
Divide mixture in two and add cocoa to one part. If mixture is dry, add a little milk.

Bake for 50 minutes and serve with vanilla ice cream.

# Bios

YEAR 6



What are your full names? **Olivia and Lexi**  
 Any funky nicknames? **O- Pecks L- Piv**  
 Any not-so-funky nicknames? **None!**  
 Which animal do you identify as? **O- a lion L- A horse**  
 If you could be any tuckshop food which one would you be and why? **None because we don't go to the tuckshop**  
 What colour is your toothbrush? **Blue and white**  
 If you could be one teacher who would you be and why? **Michael (sports teacher) because he's funny and cool**  
 Recess or lunch? **Lunch**

YEAR 7



What are your full names? **Zack Licenblat**  
 Any funky nicknames? **Zack Licen**  
 Any not-so-funky nicknames? **Zafa**  
 Which animal do you identify as? **A monkey**  
 If you could be any tuckshop food which one would you be and why? **Chocolate crossaint because it's delicious and stands out**  
 What colour is your toothbrush? **White**  
 If you could be one teacher who would you be and why? **Trent**  
 Recess or lunch? **Lunch**

YEAR 10



What are your full names? **Emily Lewis**  
 Any funky nicknames? **Emilias, Emilo, Himilayan Mountains**  
 Any not-so-funky nicknames? **Lemony Snicker Bar**  
 Which animal do you identify as? **Cat - lazy and cute**  
 If you could be any tuckshop food which one would you be and why? **Muffins because they are my favourite cake-food**  
 What colour is your toothbrush? **Red**  
 If you could be one teacher who would you be and why? **Garbs because he is the mvp of life**  
 Recess or lunch? **Lunch**

YEAR 11



What are your full names? **Jai Kanat**  
 Any funky nicknames? **Not really**  
 Any not-so-funky nicknames? **Peck**  
 Which animal do you identify as? **A buster**  
 If you could be any tuckshop food which one would you be and why? **I'd be a cheese toastie because it's light and tasty**  
 What colour is your toothbrush? **Purple**  
 If you could be one teacher who would you be and why? **Stacy because she was an inspiration to everyone**  
 Recess or lunch? **Lunch**

YEAR 8



What are your full names? **Talzoosh**  
 Any funky nicknames? **Talzoosh**  
 Any not-so-funky nicknames? **No**  
 Which animal do you identify as? **A monkey**  
 If you could be any tuckshop food which one would you be and why? **Sushi because it's yummy and expensive**  
 What colour is your toothbrush? **Dark blue**  
 If you could be one teacher who would you be and why? **Vera**  
 Recess or lunch? **Lunch**

YEAR 9



What are your full names? **Car Segear**  
 Any funky nicknames? **(Shakes his head)**  
 Any not-so-funky nicknames? **Nup.**  
 Which animal do you identify as? **Tiger**  
 If you could be any tuckshop food which one would you be and why? **Toasties because they're the most popular**  
 What colour is your toothbrush? **White and blue I think**  
 If you could be one teacher who would you be and why? **Dave Robinson - everyone loves him**  
 Recess or lunch? **Lunch**

YEAR 12



What are your full names? **Robert Geller**  
 Any funky nicknames? **Robonator**  
 Any not-so-funky nicknames? **No**  
 Which animal do you identify as? **Dog**  
 If you could be any tuckshop food which one would you be and why? **Mac and cheese**  
 What colour is your toothbrush? **Red**  
 If you could be one teacher who would you be and why? **Swedosh because he's got game**  
 Recess or lunch? **Lunch**

Meet the new kids at the Tuckshop  
 by liat swieca

# Scientific Discoveries

by ariel epstein

Renewable energy is quickly becoming the only way forward. On July 26th, Solar Impulse 2 became the first fully solar powered plane to complete a circuit around the world, landing in Abu Dhabi over three weeks after takeoff. French pilots Bertrand Piccard and André Borschberg, combined, totalled 23 days air time and 43,041 kilometers over land and sea. Their 17 leg journey consisted of travelling over Asia, the United States, the Middle East; the Pacific Ocean, Atlantic Ocean, and the Mediterranean Sea.. Solar Impulse was designed to fly day and night by incorporating 17,000 solar cells and onboard batteries.

The plane was forced to stop for just shy of a year in Hawaii due to batteries overheating in March 2015, not taking off again until April 2016. The plane flew over the Pyramids contrasting ancient and emerging technologies in July of this year. This flight was planned in order to showcase the power of "green technologies" and the power science has to help the environment.

Piccard believes that within 10 years, solar powered planes will carry up to 50 passengers in short haul flights. He is of the opinion that it is not enough, however, and that humanity's carbon dioxide should be cut in half by using solar technology in our daily lives.



FOOTY'S BACK AND I'M REALLY EXCITED. I'VE BEEN LITERALLY COUNTING DOWN THE DAYS UNTIL THE LEATHER IS BOUNCED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE "G" ON A FRIDAY NIGHT. HOT CHIPS AND THE SMELL OF BEER WAFTING FROM THE BLOKE THAT'S SITTING NEXT TO ME. I SIT THERE CLUTCHING THE ARMS OF A TOTAL STRANGER WEARING THE SAME JUMPER AS ME. THE ROAR AND THE TEARS FROM THE CROWD AS THE FINAL SIREN SOUNDS. THIS IS THE FIERY SOUL OF THE FOOTY.

BUT IT'S A WHOLE DIFFERENT STORY WHEN I'M PLAYING IT. WHEN I WALK ONTO THE HALLOWED TURF WITH THE PUNGENT SMELL OF FRESHLY MOWED GRASS, I KNOW THAT THIS IS THE FEELING OF DESTINY BEFORE A GAME. THE FEELING THAT YOU GET WHEN YOU HAVE THE LEATHER IN YOUR HANDS AND IT FEELS LIKE YOUR WHOLE LIFE IS FROZEN IN THAT MOMENT. THE SOUND OF MY TEAMMATES SCREAMING FOR THE BALL, PUTTING EVERYTHING ELSE OUT OF THEIR MINDS EXCEPT GETTING THE BALL AND KICKING IT THROUGH THE TWO BIG WHITE STICKS.

I REALISE THAT THERE IS NO OTHER FEELING LIKE THIS, THAT I WILL NEVER HAVE THIS MOMENT AGAIN, SO I HAVE TO GIVE IT ALL I'VE GOT. YOU'VE GOT TO PUT YOUR HEART, SOUL, MIND, BODY AND GUTS INTO THIS GAME, BECAUSE WHEN THAT FINAL SIREN SOUNDS, YOU'VE GOT TO KNOW THAT YOU'VE PUT IN 150 PERCENT. YOU'VE GOT TO BE LYING ON YOUR BACK ABSOLUTELY SPENT AND GASPING FOR AIR. THIS IS THE RAW PASSION THAT IGNITES THE SOUL WHEN YOU STEP ON TO THE GROUND. THIS IS THE ORANGE QUARTERS THAT ARE SLICED, PUT IN A TUPPERWARE BOX AND DEVoured BY LIONS AT HALF TIME WITH FIRE IN THEIR EYES. THIS IS THE EFFORT AND HOURS THE COACHES AND UMPIRES PUT IN NO MATTER HOW COLD IT IS. THIS IS THE FOOTY, AND IT'S ALREADY BACK. BIG TIME.

by mitch coven

# Ideology

by joel pastor

## Miliarist Pacifist

There is no peace there is power,  
 Harmony makes us weak,  
 Only with an iron fist will we  
 achieve true power,  
 Only by kill or be killed will we  
 prosper,  
 Peace is a lie ,  
 Through war I gain power,  
 Through power I gain survival,  
 Through survival I gain eternity .

There is no quarrel there is harmony,  
 War will only break us down,  
 True power is won through influence,  
 Nothing can come from bloodshed,  
 We will preserve the peace,  
 There is no other way ,  
 War is a pointless act, influence is the way,  
 We will not win battles through blood,  
 We will win the great battle through harmony.



## Xenophobe Xenophile

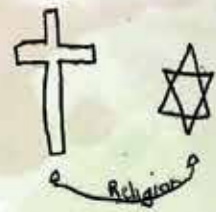
If we accept we will fade  
 If we are lenient they will destroy  
 For an alien smile hides a sinister will  
 Poison sent to destroy us from within  
 A deadly acid  
 We must not surrender  
 We must stand our ground or else we will fade  
 We must destroy the destroyer  
 Difference will destroy us  
 So we will destroy it first

We are not the only ones  
 Culture and life comes in all shapes and sizes  
 From the barbarians to the peace makers  
 Everyone will be accepted  
 Difference is no excuse for cruelty  
 From the smallest cell to the largest leviathan  
 Every one of them is unique  
 The snake is not evil the shark not cruel  
 They are just different  
 Difference is accepted

## Spiritualist Materialist

God will defend us,  
 We will defend God,  
 There is no other path,  
 Through Religion we will spread,  
 Through Religion God will be  
 satisfied ,  
 The one who stays true will  
 prosper ,  
 But the one who doesn't will die,  
 God is older and more ancient  
 than the universe,  
 He must take his rightful place.

There is no God there is no fate,  
 There is only logic and sense ,  
 God is a lie,  
 Technology and science is the only way,  
 There is no kind of divine,  
 Through technology and science we gain knowl-  
 edge,  
 Through knowledge we gain sight,  
 Through sight we gain infinite.



## Socialist Individualist

One is for all  
 All is for one  
 Alone we are nothing  
 Together we are unstoppable  
 The Community is stronger than the sum of its  
 parts  
 There is no other way to live  
 If we are alone we are weak physically and mentally  
 Together we will fight for the motherland  
 Together we will die for the motherland  
 Alone is no way to live  
 We are one but we are many

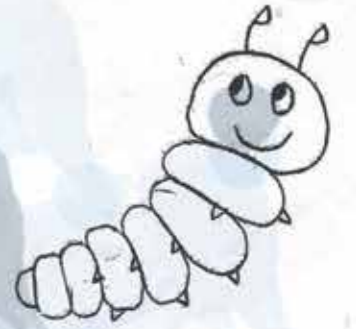
The community will absorb and then destroy  
 Only by individual struggle will we become like  
 diamonds  
 Only by individual perseverance will one be  
 glorified  
 If we are judged by groups opportunity is  
 wasted  
 If we are judged by the individual opportunity  
 is recognised  
 Through the individual we will survive  
 Through the individual we will soar  
 The minority will be recognised  
 Through individualism we will triumph



# A Respectful

# Nightingale

A nightingale is thin and frail  
 Smaller than a sloth and sleeker than a snail  
 But it's song, oh yes it's song  
 Is very long and very strong



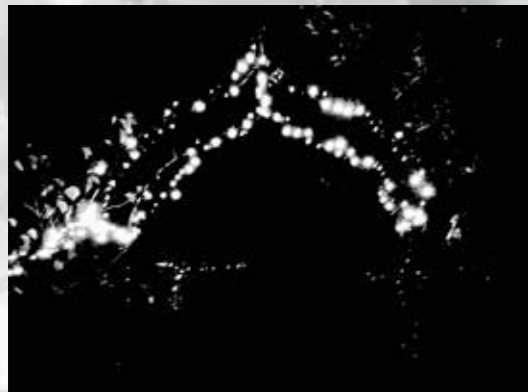
Now this nightingale was neither of those  
 Just add on yes add on, those very big toes.  
 It was greedy and fat but enough of that  
 Because that greedy and fat lunatac  
 Is here is here yes is here.

On a leaf a caterpillar lay.  
 To lay her eggs yes this was her day!  
 Now the leaf was the nightingale's,

or so he thought  
 But he decided to sing,  
 And no war was fought.

by ruby leibowitz  
 illustrations by chelsea mofsowitz

# INDIA WEEK



by alex cowen

Everyone knows there are people struggling in this world. We all know that there are children starving in developing countries and women being married off before their 15th birthdays. We know this and we understand this, but do we ever do anything about it other than telling our children not to waste food or donating old clothes to charity funds?

This month the King David community was given the opportunity to do something more. For several years now, the students along with a very devoted teacher, Gayle Factor, have run and participated in what has now become known as India Week. In conjunction with a charity organisation known as Sewing the Seeds, KDS is assisting a gypsy community in India assimilate and manage marginalisation not to mention communal norms.

Based on the ideology of 'give a man a fish he'll eat for a day; teach a man to fish he'll eat for a lifetime', Sewing the Seeds is a women's empowerment organisation focussing on breaking the poverty cycle by teaching women to sew and thereby giving them a profitable skill. The economic independence they gain from this is proving to be very successful in the community we sponsored, and this year we were able to assist in the purchase of over 18 sewing machines. We would just like to thank the entire community without which, we would not have achieved such an amazing feat.

by tamsin goldfield



by jonah epstein

# MR. X: WEIGHING THE PIG DOES NOT MAKE IT FATTER

by riley hart

Here at King David we do things differently to other schools. "This is a school like no other," declares our principal and fearless leader, Marc Light. "Our educational outcomes are second to none", claims our Mission Statement.

Is all this talk of how unique we are as a school reality, or is it just wishful thinking by those in charge?

Our school, like countless other schools that we claim to be unlike, are all in fact just puppets under the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) regime. We claim to be different, yet upon completion of our time at this school all that is left is a number, just like every other young adult from every other school in Victoria.

Quite clearly this 'assembly line' of an education system is not something that looks good for a school that prides itself in being "unlike" all others. That is why today, I implore you to support the #KDEXIT. It's time to break away from the VCAA.

The most successful Fortune 500 companies around the world are giving managers and employees greater autonomy to get the important things done without the creativity sapping, predatory eye of a higher authority.

Social scientists and psychologists have found that people work best when doing things that they are passionate about and have control over. The amazing teachers of our school spend years of their life acquiring the necessary knowledge and skills to best educate us, however their passionate flame is being tamed by the wet towel of their chosen subject's study design. Secret polling has been conducted amongst students in each year level and the results are startling. The majority of high school aged teens of both genders voted 'leave', whilst the majority of younger aged kids voted to 'stay'.

Further analysis of this stark divide between age groups is most likely the result of the level of exposure to VCAA course jurisdiction. An interesting finding sees younger kids with an older sibling who is in, or has undertaken Year 12, were more likely to vote 'leave'.

And it wasn't just the students who had something to say about the #KDEXIT. Damien Green, a teacher known for his effective education style; a textbook author and Religion and Society examination marker: one might assume that Mr Green is all for the current method of obtaining results. Wrong! Mr Green gave me an excellent quote from Socrates; "Weighing the pig does not make it fatter". Perhaps not an ideal analogy for a Jewish school, but I take this to mean that examining a student does not make them smarter.

Mr Green believes that a system based on face-to-face interview, as well as other assignment type work given in class, is needed to best equip students for the future.

Damien also points out that as Jewish people, our yearning and appreciation for knowledge means that we are well equipped to obtain a high level of education away from the 'system'. Our ancestors certainly did when they were refused entry to schools and universities, so why don't we?

It is a widely held view that the examination-based education curriculum holds no merit beyond the school gate. And so, I now extend to you an open hand and an opportunity to change our school, and perhaps all schools, forever. Vote #KDEXIT and join the revolution.

**\*Update\*:** members of a new political movement that has been started in the United Kingdom who call themselves 'UKIP' recently contacted me. They were so inspired by my post that they themselves have decided to start a campaign called #Brexit. I would like to publicly wish them the best in their quest to gain independence much like we are endeavouring to do.

## SPORT'S WRAP

An exciting time for sports this month, the olympics are in full stretch, the AFL season is coming to a close, the NFL season is starting as well as other notable events such as: the Liga BBVA, Ligue 1, Bundesliga, Serie A and the Barclays Premier League.

A much anticipated Olympic clash is the Australian Boomers versus Team USA in Men's basketball. Although it resulted in a loss for Australia (88-98 America's way), the Boomers deserved a lot of respect as it was a battle well fought in which Australia was leading most of the way.

However, America proved too much for Australia and came out on top in the last quarter (28-21). Some individual stars were Patrick Mills: 30 points, 2 rebounds and shot 11-22 field goals which is 50%. For America the clear individual star was Carmelo Anthony with 31 points, 8 rebounds, 2 steals, 1 assist and shot 11-21 from the field. Other notable performances include Matthew Dellavedova with a double-double (11 assists and 11 points), and Kyrie Irving with 19 points and 5 assists.

Australia fought a long and hard battle however they couldn't hold on for the whole game. This loss means that Australia is second in pool A and if they win every other game they play they won't have to play America until the medal match (hopefully gold).

At the end of day 5 the medal tally is: USA in first with 11 gold, 11 silver and 10 bronze, China is in second with 10 gold, 5 silvers and 8 bronzes, in third is Japan with 6 gold, 1 silver and 11 bronzes, rounding up the top four is Australia with 5 gold, 2 silver and 5 bronzes. So after Day 5 the medal tally is close and no country has been able to separate themselves from the other countries and lead the pack. There are still 11 days left so anything can happen and anyone can still win.

by david eikelis



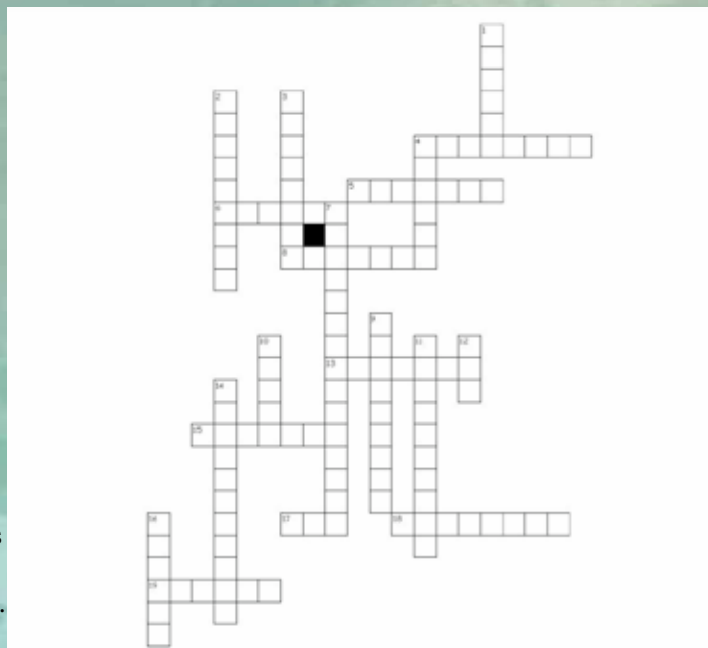
# COMICS AND CROSSWORDS



by daniel eikelis

## Across:

4. "Ugh, I can't be stuffed organising this charity, let's just do a \_\_\_\_\_"
5. The exit of The King David school from the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority.
6. Which country invented the USB?
8. The Jewish day of rest when Jews get to relax and kick back after a mad week.
13. When your best just isn't good enough and you give up.
15. An elected representative or leader with much responsibility from each year level.
17. Should students be able to eat in the corridor?
18. A thief, someone who steals items such as jewellery and make-up. e.g The KDS Crook and the VIVI Villain.
19. A mythical Egyptian creature with, at a minimum, the head of a human and the body of a lion.



TKDS CROSSWORD:

DO YOU KNOW AND UNDERSTAND?

## Down:

1. The sole reason that Students and Teachers are able to make it to class.
2. Unjumble: Carl Might.
3. Provides you the food you want, when you want it. Open the app and order today!
4. Name given to the national IQ test that was taken by 72% of the British population on Thursday 23rd June 2016. Failure rate 51.9%.
7. Formed in 1919 to unite the countries that fought on both sides of World War One and was supposedly unsuccessful.
9. In 1960s Baltimore, dance-loving teen Tracy Turnblad auditions for a spot on "The Corny Collins Show" and wins.
10. A member of the KDS I.T squad that is unanimously adored.
11. The country with the highest GDP per capita.
12. Vocational Education and Training, a viable option for those seeking a more practical style of learning.
14. The fear of having fears.
16. When both sexes can use the bathroom. Also known as progress.