

## Rotary Junior Community Award

### Pakenham Springs Primary School

Throughout 2019, a group of 14 Year 6 students from Pakenham Springs Primary School have been working towards completing the Rotary Junior Community Award.



Through this, they have been working together with Backpacks for Vic Kids (B4VK) to fulfil the Community Service requirements of this award. B4VK supply backpacks full of essential and comfort items to children entering foster and crisis care situations. PSPS students have been collecting goods, including clothing, toys, books, stationery and toiletry items, to make up backpacks to donate to this worthy charity.



In June, the students visited the B4VK headquarters in Cranbourne to see the processes involved in collecting through to distributing the donations and backpacks. The impact that this project has had on the students has been profound - it is alarming that so many children in Victoria experience such traumatic and frightening circumstances.



Throughout this project, our students have shown empathy, understanding and have developed an awareness of issues outside of their immediate life which perfectly complements the PSPS mission of having students become respectful and informed members of the local and global community'.

If you are in a position to assist us in this worthy project, please contact the school office for more information.

