

## **For EUC Annual Report 2020**

### **English classes**

As with all church activities, 2020 was a challenging year for our English classes.

By the time we started classes in February, concern about COVID was growing, so the number of students who returned to classes then or enrolled as new students was very much lower than previously. Face to face classes did not last long as lockdown began later in March. Only one class was able to continue teaching a small number of students by phone and email for the duration of 2020.

Contact with volunteers was maintained through emails and distribution of four 'continuing education' lessons.

In Term 4 (October) classes were again offered at the church on Monday mornings with the assistance of some dedicated volunteers to ensure we adhered to all the requirements of the COVIDSafe Plan approved by EUC Church Council. Student numbers were very small, but those who came appreciated the lower student/volunteer teacher ratio.

Two online classes were offered on Tuesday evenings in Term 4.

Bible/English classes offer an opportunity for students to improve English and learn something about the Bible and Christianity. These classes were held at 11.15am on Mondays for the few weeks classes were held at the church in Term 1 but did not resume in Term 4 when student numbers were too low.

Friday morning classes were not held for most of 2020.

Many of our wonderful volunteers remain keen to be involved. Students began returning to classes in increased numbers in 2021.

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