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ARDEN ANGLICAN SCHOOL YEAR 6 STUDENTS VISIT THE EMBASSY



24 October 2014 – Second Secretary and Consul Grace Anne G. Bulos received at the Chancery on Friday, 10 October 2014, the seven (7) Year 6 students from the Arden Anglican School of New South Wales. The students were headed by Ms. Tiffany Pendlebury.

Before Consul Bulos gave her briefing to the students, Ms. Lorna Bacolong from the Embassy's Labour Office and the Embassy Choir introduced some Filipino primary songs on counting and greeting entitled "*Magbilang*" and "*Kumusta*". The students enjoyed singing and dancing the songs in Filipino.

The students were also introduced to some Philippine-made foods and juices such as dried Philippine mangoes, mango and tamarind candies, puto seko cookies, and calamansi, guayabano, orange and pineapple juices.

Consul Bulos gave a brief presentation on the Philippines covering its history, demography, population, government, way of life and some Filipino traits and characters. During the presentation, Consul Bulos asked the Australian students to provide the Australian details on the issues being discussed to point out comparisons between the Philippines and Australia.

Consul Bulos also explained that the first Filipino migrants in Australia in 1895 were called the Manilamen and served as divers and processors of pearl shells in the Northern Territory pearling industry.

After the briefing, the students were shown videos on the "It's More Fun in the Philippines" tourism campaign, featuring our country's beautiful places, delicious food and traditional Filipino costumes and traits.

The event concluded with a photo opportunity of the students joined by Consul Bulos and other Embassy personnel. END