



INSET RIGHT: Jolina Lay, 17 makes coffee during a work program at Henbury School

MAIN PICTURE: Jeremy Dosantos McNeven, 15, with a frappe during the Henbury School work program

technology, recycling and textiles," she said.

"It gives students an opportunity to find what they're interested in so we can help them train and find work pathways outside of the school during their senior years of schooling."

Just around the corner from the café inside Henbury's school grounds, sits a workshop where students learn how to make items from wood, fabric and other materials.

"We call this our Sensational Designs area," Ms Hofmeyer said.

"We've got a full screen printing set up in there and we also have a variety of sewing machines and overlockers."

"Students make anything from bottle holders to pencil cases, to tea towels, to T-shirts."

"We also have our woodwork space where students have been making cheese boards, platters and all of those sorts of things

that are really kind of in vogue at the moment."

Many of these student-made creations are now available for purchase at the school's new work training site located on Aralia Street at Nightcliff, aptly called Henbury on Aralia.

"This space boast café, garden and giftware, run for and by the students," Ms Hofmeyer said.

"Students will be have opportunities to use their hospitality skills developed at the school based café and there will also be opportunities for students to practice retail, horticulture, hospitality and construction skills. Students were also involved in fitting out the space.

"I loved that place as a kid and I knew I always wanted to work there," he said.

"I explained to the boss about the jobs I do at the school café and she really liked it, so she gave me a chance.

"My role was more like a waiter, so I'd go up there, pick up everyone's cups and bowls.

"I'd make sure the tables and the playground was clean and bring out the people's foods.

"My work mates, they were just so funny. Yeah, I just liked it there. It was sort of 'me'."

One of the café's newest servers Kimberly Taylor, 16, said even though she was still getting the hang of things, she knew she wanted to work in hospitality too.

"I feel good working, my favourite thing to make in here are the salad wraps," she said.

"It can get really busy sometimes but we have special order cards at the register, so if I forget something I can check the card and then I remember."

Ms Hofmeyer said in addition to the café senior hospitality students were also given the opportunity to earn some money during weekend events with their coffee trailer called Crewz'n Brew.

She said hospitality was only one part of the school's Transition to Work initiative.

"We have a range of Skills Set programs for our middle year students (years 7-9) including hairdressing, retail, bike maintenance, horticulture, wood work, information

