**Video Transcript**

**2017 Top All Round VCE High Achievers talk about their hopes for the future**

What difference to you hope to make to this world, what do you hope to contribute?

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What I want to contribute to the world or what difference do I want to make.

That’s really hard for me.

I’d like to leave behind a legacy of some sort and know that it’s helping not only the people around me, but future generations to come as well.

Probably small things, like I’m probably not going to change the world or anything like that.

Just try and make a difference in every little thing I do.

I do hope to make a difference in terms of helping individuals. And I feel like if you take a step back, sometimes that’s just as important as if you were helping a whole bunch of people at once.

It’s sounds cheesey but I enjoy making a difference to other people’s lives.

Thirty years from now I hope to be someone who’s happy with who I am and what I’m doing.

And then secondly, I guess someone who’s making a positive difference to the world.

Hopefully in thirty years I can see myself as working as a doctor and being able to help people because that’s why I’ve joined the profession.

I would like to be a lawyer. That would be a good job to have I think.

And I would love to perhaps start a social enterprise, or be responsible for running campaigns to do with social impact and causes that I’m passionate about.

Working towards an altruistic cause, helping people to the best of their ability, and uniting my love of science and of people.

I hope I can help those people currently doing great things to figure out cures for diseases, and how to make sure people can stay healthier for longer.

I don’t want to be a person that doesn’t add anything to anyone else’s life.

And I don’t want to be a person that doesn’t have the ability to empathise with others.

I don’t want to have a life that isn’t meaningful. And I don’t think that means I have to be successful. I think it means I need to give back to the world I’m in.

I would just love to be someone who goes in to work every day, and my job is to try to think of a new way to go about stuff.

I just want to be able to go to work knowing that I’m actually making a difference in the lives of others.

I want to be doing something that I love, but more importantly I want to be doing something that’s helping people – that’s using all of my gifts and all of my privileges, and opportunities and education and everything to improve the lives of others. Because I’m in a position – or hopefully I’ll be in a position – to do that and I just think if you are, then you need to.

Hey dad, just messaging you to say I love you lots and to thank you for everything you’ve done for me. You’re an inspiration and have shown me what’s really important in life. I hope to be able to have as great an impact on this world as you have.