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The aspects of my Melbourne Rudolf Steiner School education I enjoyed the most were:

- The beautiful environment (natural, architectural, creative, nurturing and spiritual) at MRSS.
- Making craft things and going for walks in the bush.

The elements of my Steiner education that I have carried through into my current employment are:

- I think I'm a flexible, open and creative thinker and person because of my Steiner education. I strongly believe in following my intuition in combination with analytical and clear thinking in my art practice. I try to relate this belief to my students also.

Some of the interesting things I have done since leaving the School are:

- Last year I travelled to Spain on an artist residency funded by the Australia Council. I lived in Barcelona for 3 months with my husband Paul and our 2 young kids, Oliver and Luella. We made art and travelled round Spain looking at great art and landscapes.
- At the moment I am producing a project to exhibit at Heide Museum of Modern Art in 2012. I have been using different parts of the plants from the Heide gardens to produce dye for wool. I am making artwork from the dyed wool as well as using it to stitch on landscape photographs of the same location.