The Herald received letters from 13 students in Year 9 English Class 2 at Raymond Terrace High School. The letters, selected by the teacher from a number written in a class project, cover a wide range of subjects. Here are extracts from five.

THERE has been a lot of publicity recently about people smearing billboards advertising cigarettes.

People should be free to smoke but not in public places where there is somebody who

will object.

About a third of the population smokes. The other two-thirds, the non-smokers, are just trying to get their rights and try to stop people from smoking.