



Mr John Gallagher with student Peter Williams



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SPECIAL TUTORING FOR STUDENTS AT LISMORE

An Aboriginal Education project has been started by the students of the School of Teacher Education of the Northern Rivers College of Advanced Education at Albert Park Primary School, Lismore.

The main purpose of this project is to provide special tutoring for the Aboriginal pupils at the school that cannot be provided for in the normal class-room situation.

Every Tuesday morning between 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. a group of enthusiastic student teachers journey out to Albert Park Primary School. Each student teacher has a particular pupil to meet and for the hour or so to tutor individually in some learning area that the pupil is experiencing difficulties.

The student teachers prepare their own individualized learning aids and make frequent use of

tape-recorders, cassette players, learning games and other commercially produced learning aids. The aims of the whole project are twofold:

The student teachers are gaining valuable experience in teaching Aboriginal children and learning at first hand about the educative problems of the Aboriginal people.

The Aboriginal pupils are receiving an enriched educational programme and are being helped through some of their learning difficulties.

The student teachers have found the children bright and responsive and much has been gained so far. The project is strongly supported by the Principal of the School, Mr Laurie Edmunds.

Many of the children involved were doing very well in the normal classroom situation but need individual attention in a particular learning area (for example: spelling, numbers or reading).