

They're happy at Kempsey

Aboriginal and white children are mixing happily in West Kempsey school.

In 1961, there were no Aboriginal children in the enrolment of 700 children at West Kempsey.

At the beginning of 1962, all sixth class children from Aboriginal schools around Kempsey were enrolled in town schools.

In 1964, it is proposed that all fifth grade children will be enrolled in town schools.

A feature of the plan is to close the school at Kinchela Boys' Home, and to enrol the boys in the appropriate schools in Kempsey.

Our picture (above) was taken in the Kempsey Municipal Library by the Macleay Argus.

It shows from left, West Kempsey school classmates George Ward, Roslyn Bannerman, Michael Walsh, Kathleen Wharton, Douglas Bates and Martha Perry.

Christmas Mishes

Mr. Eric Arthur-Mason, a former supervisor at Bellwood Reserve, Nambucca, and former welfare officer at Dubbo and Kempsey, sends his best wishes for the Christmas season to his aboriginal friends. Mr. Arthur-Mason is living at Kempsey.