

Pete's Page

Hello Kids,

The children of Cummeragunja School decided to write to me, so their teacher, Mr John Lynch, joined pieces of their letters into the one here. The children said:

"We like your magazine and so are sending you some pictures of us at school. Our teacher, Mr Lynch, took them. There are about thirty of us at school from kindergarten to sixth class.

"At the mission we also have a play centre run by Jessie McGee in the hall. She looks after lots of little children on the mission.

"We all like swimming and are good swimmers as we are only yards from the Murray River. Some paddle steamers still go past. The boys (and girls too, sometimes) play Australian Rules football and not rugby. We like it best. We put in our own goal posts in the school yard next to the school.

"We live near the Barmah Forest where there are lots of kangaroos, emus, wild pigs, possums, snakes, and wild horses. Some of us have pet cockies, galahs, kangaroos, pigs, and turtles.

"Goodbye now, from the children of Cummeragunja School!"

Thanks a lot for the letter, kids (and Mr Lynch). I like to show children throughout the State what other children are doing at their schools.

Don't forget to write to me.

'Bye for now, kids,

See you next month.

Pete

Cummeragunja children on the school verandah

Jessie McGee keeps an eye on some of her pre-school charges at the Cummeragunja play centre

Playing draughts are (left to right) Steven, Kevin, and Alf Atkinson

Girls like playing draughts too: left to right are Glenda McGee, Leon and Marlene Atkinson, and Hilda Walker.

