



INAUGURAL SEMINAR  
*Indigenous Education in Australia:  
a way forward*

*Date:* Wednesday 18 August 2010

*Time:* 5:00pm to 6:30pm

*Venue:* RA Young Hall,  
Radford College Junior School  
College Street, Bruce, ACT 2617

*Speaker:* Mr Phillip Heath  
Principal of Radford College

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*This event is open to anyone interested,  
but confirmation of attendance, by  
Friday 13 August, is essential.*

*Topic:* **INDIGENOUS EDUCATION IN AUSTRALIA:  
A WAY FORWARD**

Phillip will discuss the formation in 2007  
of the *Gawura* School for indigenous  
students, within St Andrew's Cathedral  
School in the Sydney CBD.

## **THE RADFORD INSTITUTE**

The Radford Institute is a new initiative of Radford College Canberra. It is intended to be an open forum for the exploration and propagation of “great educational practice”.

The Institute’s inaugural event will be a seminar presented by Phillip Heath, the Principal of Radford College, on *Indigenous Education in Australia – a way forward*.

The address is on an innovative and exciting model for indigenous Australians to take control of their own education, with subsequent very positive outcomes. Phillip will discuss the formation in 2007 of the *Gawura* School within St Andrew’s Cathedral School, in Sydney’s CBD. The *Gawura* School is making a significant contribution to closing the educational gap for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from the Redfern area of Sydney.

This seminar is important for all educators and educational leaders, as the lessons from the formation of *Gawura* could be used to address many areas of educational disadvantage.

### **SEMINAR PRESENTER: MR PHILLIP HEATH**

*Since 1995, Phillip Heath has been the Head of two Australian schools. He regards the formation of Gawura as one of his most important contributions to Australian education. He is the author of the History of Trinity Grammar School, Sydney and has given addresses to numerous educational conferences in Australia and overseas. In 2008 he received the honour of being made a Fellow of the Australian College of Educators for his work with St Andrew’s and with the foundation of Gawura. He has been Principal at Radford College since July 2009.*