

edmund rice centre's indigenous programs 2011



Join the Edmund Rice Centre for a unique cross cultural learning experience to further develop your knowledge and understanding of Indigenous cultures and issues in rural New South Wales.

● **Let's Talk: Dhawunda** The positions for Let's Talk Dhawunda are targeted positions that are open to teachers and educators from the Armidale Diocese through the Armidale Catholic Schools Office as part of the Smarter Schools National Partnership Literacy and Numeracy. Let's Talk: Dhawunda is a five (5) day cross cultural immersion program that visits predominately Aboriginal communities such as Moree, Walgett, Brewarrina, Goodooga and Lightning Ridge as well as the Narran Lakes and the site of the Myall Creek Massacre. For more information about Let's Talk: Dhawunda please contact Sharon Cooke on 0427237416 or submit an Expression Of Interest form. Alternatively contact Sharon Cooke on 0427237416.

1st Semester: 21st – 25th March, 2011
2nd Semester: 29th August – 2nd September, 2011

● **Let's Talk: Rural** Open to all teachers and educators in all sectors. We also welcome teachers in training as well as people who are 'teachers or educators' in non school environments. Let's Talk: Rural is a seven (7) day cross cultural immersion program that visits predominately Aboriginal communities such as Moree, Walgett, Brewarrina, Goodooga and Lightning Ridge as well as the Narran Lakes and the site of the Myall Creek Massacre

10th – 17th April, 2011

● **Let's Talk: EREA** Open to all staff working for Edmund Rice Education Australia. Let's Talk: EREA is a seven (7) day cross cultural immersion program that visits predominately Aboriginal communities such as Moree, Walgett, Brewarrina, Goodooga and Lightning Ridge as well as the Narran Lakes and the site of the Myall Creek Massacre. Alternatively contact Brian Garrone on 0400982418

1st – 8th May, 2011

● **Let's Talk: Local** Open to all Year 10 & 11 students from all schools. Let's Talk Local is an eight (8) day cross cultural immersion program that visits Aboriginal communities such as Goodooga, Brewarrina, Lightning Ridge and Walgett participating in a number of cultural activities and visits to significant sites.

3rd – 11th July, 2011.

● **Outback:** Open to all students attending Good Samaritan Colleges in Sydney and Wollongong. Outback is a seven (7) day cross cultural immersion program that visits Aboriginal communities such as Goodooga, Brewarrina, Lightning Ridge and Walgett participating in a number of cultural activities and visits to significant sites.
24th September – 1st October, 2011

● **Let's Talk: Brothers and Others** is an exciting new cross cultural immersion program that visits Aboriginal communities in North West NSW. The Edmund Rice Centre now offers the opportunity for Christian Brothers and 'Others' who have connections to the Edmund Rice Network to participate in our Immersion Programs. So if you are A Christian Brother, a parent of a child who has participated in a previous ERC Immersion, working within the Edmund Rice Ministries or a family member of an employee who works for the Christian Brothers networks we invite you to step out of your comfort zone and be a part of a journey that really is a life changing experience.
30th October – 6th November, 2011

● **Let's Talk: SVdP** is a continuing partnership with St Vincent de Paul that targets Young Adults within the 'Vinnies' networks to be involved in a cross cultural immersion into Aboriginal communities in North West NSW. This program is slightly different to the others in that participants spend the whole week in the community of Goodooga and engage in on the ground activities that aim to make a difference at the grassroots level within the community. If you are a young Vinnie we encourage you to be involved in this once in a lifetime experience.

There are limited places available so to avoid disappointment please register your interest early.

To register your interest, to apply or to enquire about further information please contact:

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