

### Innovation in Education

A range of not-for-profit organisations are seeing good results in education, and particularly on improvements in school attendance and retention, and in supporting young Indigenous people make the transition from school to employment or training.

Key achievements in 2009 include:

- The Australian Indigenous Education Foundation (AIEF) funded 45 scholarships for Indigenous secondary school students to attend boarding school in regional and urban areas. This is expected to increase to more than 100 scholarships in 2010.

#### CASE STUDY: AUSTRALIAN INDIGENOUS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The Australian Indigenous Education Foundation (AIEF) supports students like Carlie Smart, who moved from Bowraville to complete Year 12 at St Vincent's College in 2008. Carlie is now studying Arts/Law at UNSW. Through her university law degree, Carlie has also been working at the Kingsford Legal Centre assisting people in need with Legal Aid. Carlie mentors and supports her two younger sisters who are also boarding at an AIEF partner school in Sydney.