

The Towers



Penrith High School

Principal's Report.

What is the most boring and least often read part of any school magazine? The Principal's report of course. I remonstrated with the Editor, "Must we have such a report? Is it really necessary? What am I supposed to say?" The answer is censored. (Editors are tough).

As the new boy around the place there are some things that should be said. It has been a very busy year. The school has a great deal going for it; namely, a first class teaching staff and a great many students with whom it is a pleasure to work.



1981 will be remembered for many reasons. Physical improvements included the new gymnasium, food service unit and language building; a new attractive office (and telephone) for our Counsellor; a refurbished foyer; a new pottery kiln; two microwave ovens for Home Science; a specially appointed reading room; a tractor and slasher; a back-to-base electronic security system; upgraded sound in the auditorium and amenities for our Seniors' common room.

The school curriculum appears to me to be conventional in most respects, sound, well-rounded and relevant. There is little or none of it that could be dispensed with. However it seems necessary to expand some elements next year, chiefly personal development and work experience programmes. Planning is under way.

The P. & C. has been most helpful in 1981 and is working actively towards much greater school/community interaction.

Finally I wish to say that in 1982 I expect to see more and more student involvement in school affairs, chiefly through the Student Council formed this year.

J. Gormly
Principal

*For 1982, let us
all strive for
higher things.
Jim Gormly.*