

## **Mungo Youth Project – 2013 Professional Learning Program Purpose**

**September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Venue:** Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area - Interpretation Centre – Lake Mungo – Mungo Lodge

### **Purpose:**

- To prepare educators for the 2014 Mungo Youth Project
- To prepare educators for alternative engagements with the Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area
- To introduce educators to the landscape and cultural heritage of the region
- To meet and work with Elders, Traditional Owners, Heritage Officers, National Parks staff, Executive Officers, Scientists
- To coordinate the development and use of curriculum resources aligned to the Australian Curriculum and the education values and opportunities of the Mungo National Park and the Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage National Park.

### **Goals:**

#### **To create a World Heritage based curriculum that:**

- Meets the education goals within the strategic plan of the 3TTG's
- Meets National Curriculum objectives
- Is accessed through agreed cultural protocols
- Provides a range of strategies and resources that will enable participants (TO's, Elders, Discovery Rangers, Pastoralists, Scientists, mentors, schools, teachers and students to implement the "Kids Teaching Kids" model
- Provides learning scaffolds that enable teachers to build new skills and develop innovative learning pathways
- Encourages interactive experiences with artefact and archaeology
- Encourages access to different thinking dispositions; scientific, historical, artistic, cultural, environmental
- Links virtual learning and problem solving with landscape, people and culture
- Allows for interaction and storytelling
- Promotes connectivity and understandings of Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area and other World Heritage Areas

**Participants:** Warren Clarke, EO Joint Management, Mungo NP; Richard Mintern, EO Willandra Lakes Region World Heritage Area; Tanya Charles – Discovery Rangers; Ernest Mitchell – Discovery Rangers; Jenny Bowler- Curriculum Developer; Ricky Mitchell - Aboriginal Community Projects Coordinator; Leanne Mitchell – Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer; Ian Wakefield - Pastoralist, Harvey Johnston – Archaeologist, NSW National Parkes and Wildlife Service; Robert Biggs – Deputy Chair & volunteer MYP, Jo Curran - Coordinator – Professional Learning Program

### **Elders:**