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You are born. You build yourself piece by piece. You construct a narrative. You become an individual, surrounding yourself with all that you love. You are wounded too, sometimes, and left scarred. Yet you become a heroic and unique embodiment of both the things you cherish and the things that cause you pain. As you grow into this living idea, you become instantly recognisable; among the billions of faces in the world, you become that which you think you are. You stand before the world and say, 'I am here and this is who I am.'





Chris Coyne, John Cocivera,
Howard (last name unknown), Phill Calvert
and Nick Cave performing at
Korowa Anglican Girls' School, c. 1975
Photographer unknown
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FROM THE HEADMASTER

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25th June, 1975.

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Dear Mr. Cave,

I have become somewhat concerned about aspects of Nicholas' attitude and conduct in the School.

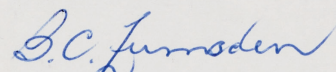
Reports have been coming to me from members of staff of difficulties they have been meeting in gaining Nicholas' full co-operation. They have on occasions observed a lack of proper respect for their authority and a disinclination to accept instructions. Work, too, has been neglected.

I should add that, in this situation Nicholas is not acting alone, but is involved with a group of friends who support and encourage this contrary spirit in each other.

Matters reached a minor climax last week and I am now hopeful that, as a result of action taken, Nicholas has begun to understand the foolishness of his attitude and the fact that it is he who will suffer most if he persists in this pattern of conduct. There are signs that this is so.

You will, I am sure, prefer that I should inform you of the situation at this stage. I hope, of course, that the present improvement will be sustained and that the necessity will not arise for more serious action to be taken. To this end I know that we can count on your help and influence.

Yours sincerely,



B.C. Lumsden,
Headmaster.

