



GOULBURN HIGH SCHOOL Celebrates 100 Years



"A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM" 1933

NOSTALGIA: The cast from Goulburn High School's 1933 production of A Midsummer Night's Dream.

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100 years of history

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GOULBURN High School's 100th birthday celebrations are fast approaching, with the school having a proud and rich history in many areas, such as academic, cultural, sporting and community service.

There was a high school planned for Goulburn as far back as 1883, but due to less demand for secondary education, the plans failed to come to fruition until about 1905. The other contributing factor was the depression of the 1890s, which really impacted the rural areas substantially. The re-emergence of public secondary education became evident in the early 1900s, with the first school being established in the Bourke St Superior Primary School site in 1905. Then eight years later, in 1913, the school moved to the

Technical College (now the Regional Conservatorium) building at 234 Bourke St, with 96 students and seven teachers, including its first principal, Mr Charles Blumer.

Unfortunately, the premises were never really suitable, and as a result of community agitation, the foundation stone for the present site was laid by the then Minister for Education, the Hon. T.D. Mutch, MLA, on June 2, 1922. The move to the current site on Goldsmith St took place in 1927, by which time enrolment had risen to 226 students and 13 staff. However, the 7.5 acre site did not accommodate facilities for Domestic Science or Manual Arts.

All other classes were usually carried out in M Block, which had nine ordinary classrooms, one science and demonstration room, a library, offices and staffrooms, storerooms, and also

a large assembly hall on the ground floor. Upgrading was carried out in the 1970s, with the electrification of the rooms and the legendary 'antiquated' coal-fired heating system replaced.

President of the P & C, Paula Geary also emphasized that since 1993, Goulburn High has had 83 recipients for the Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

"Gold awards were given to well over 80 students. There were also just as many or more silver and bronze rankings awarded," she said.

"The Cadet Forces, led by Mr Ron Banwell and Mr Keith Wilson, led a very strong cadet unit stretching from the 1950s through until the late '70s. Mr Banwell is still alive and is in his 80s, but Mr Wilson is deceased, with his son carrying on the tradition and teaching at the school for about 30 years."

DID YOU KNOW?:

Goulburn High's Roll Of Honour recognises the 51 students and teachers who served during WW1. Ten of them died in active service (three of them aged just 18). There were 45 ex students who also served in WW2; their names recorded on the Memorial Plaque.

GHS Roll Call

BLADWELL family
Michael, Shiree (née Mills)
1981-1987

Kiraleigh & Zac - current

Generations of proud GHS students, captain, prefect and P&C members.



Congratulations on 100 years!

DID YOU KNOW?:

Goulburn High has a rich sporting heritage, with Olive Smith (cricket, hockey), Bessie Branson (cricket), Bill O'Reilly (cricket), Stan Sismey (cricket) Jack Clemenger (tennis) Dunc Grey (cycling), Gavin Miller (rugby league) and Keith Leeson, Keith Jobson and Errol Bill (hockey) among former students to represent Australia.

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Goulburn High School has a proud history, providing high quality public education to Goulburn and it's surrounds for 100 years. Our school values of "Aim High, Be Positive, Be Responsible, Be Considerate and Respect Yourself, Others and the Environment" underpin our school culture. We strongly support our community, and look forward to continuing this support over the next 100 years.




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