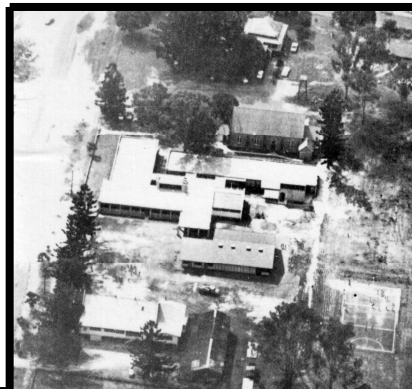


Centenary Snippets

Update No.15

Buildings on site during the 1970s.

1910	Original school was built and demolished in the late 1980s. This original school was extended many times to allow for the increase in enrolments. Mr J Carrick was the builder and the total cost was in the vicinity of 650 pounds.
1940s	The Army Hut was brought on site as a parish and school hall. It was demolished in the late 1970s. It is not known whether the hut was donated or if a cost was involved.
1972	Tomasí wing (beside church) was built and named after the parish priest at the time. This was at the beginning of financial support from the Government for Catholic Schools.
1975	In May 1975 the Clarke wing was opened by Archbishop Francis Rush and Mr Bill Hayden MP. This building was demolished in 2008 to make way for the new administration and 4 classroom building. Included in this project were 8 classrooms, admin, toilets and covered ways. The school received its first government grant of \$144 000 to complete this project. The total cost of the Project was \$180 500. The Clarke wing was named after a well known and loved Sister Of Mercy, Sr Dorothy Clarke.
1977	On 24 April 1977, the library building was blessed and opened by the Bishop John Gerry. This building housed the administration offices and staff room in its early years.



This aerial photograph was taken after the construction of the library in 1977. The old school and hall are close to the southern boundary while the newer buildings constructed from 1972 are close to the church. Note the original presbytery also and the many beautiful trees on site.