



150 Years of State Education at Kelvin Grove 1875-2025

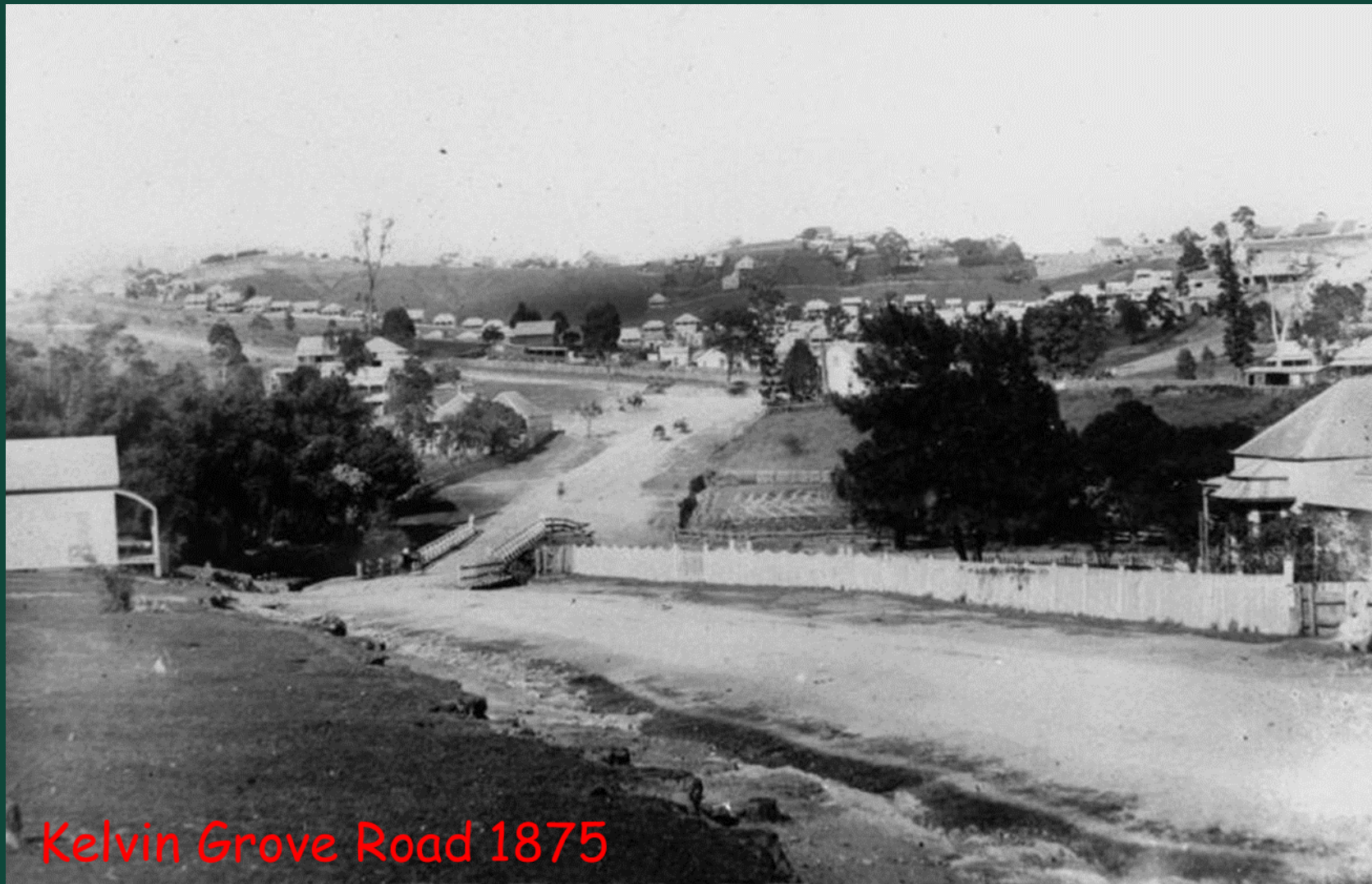


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150 Years Ago



Kelvin Grove Road 1875



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Early Beginnings:

The area's educational roots trace back to 1875 with the establishment of Kelvin Grove Road School on the 3rd May. It was a provisional school situated at the bottom of Long Hill. Mr Thomas Christie was the first head teacher. The school was built at a cost of 600 pounds.



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Early Beginnings:

In 1876 the school was moved to the present site, J.W Long was the headmaster until 1883. The provisional school was closed in 1887.



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Early Beginnings:

In 1887 the government decided that the growing suburb warranted the establishment of an official state school. Two new state schools were opened. Kelvin Grove State Boys School & Kelvin Grove State Girls' and Infants School



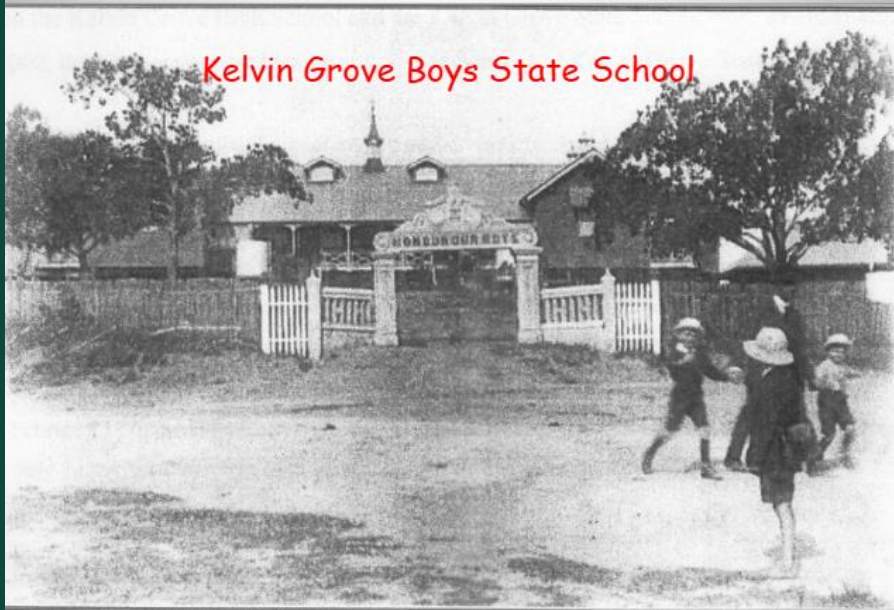
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Early Beginnings:

The Boys school was located where the present Senior School is now.



The Girls' and Infants' school was located where the present Junior School is now.

These schools were closed in 1949.

Early Beginnings:

In 1950 the boys and girls schools were amalgamated and became Kelvin Grove Primary School. An infants school was opened on the site where the middle school is now.

Schools merger

The Education Minister (Mr Bruce) announced last night that several boys' and girls schools in the Brisbane metropolitan area would be amalgamated.

Mr Bruce said the State School for boys and the State School for girls at Fortitude Valley would be known as the State School, Fortitude Valley, and the corresponding schools at Kelvin Grove would now be known as the State School, Kelvin Grove.



Kelvin Grove Primary School 1950 – now the Junior Campus



Early Beginnings:

In 1960 the State School for Infants was joined with the primary school. In 1961 a new high school was opened with 350 students. By 1965 there were 1100 students.



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Early Beginnings:

In 2001 the Kelvin Grove State School amalgamated with the high school and became Kelvin Grove State College.



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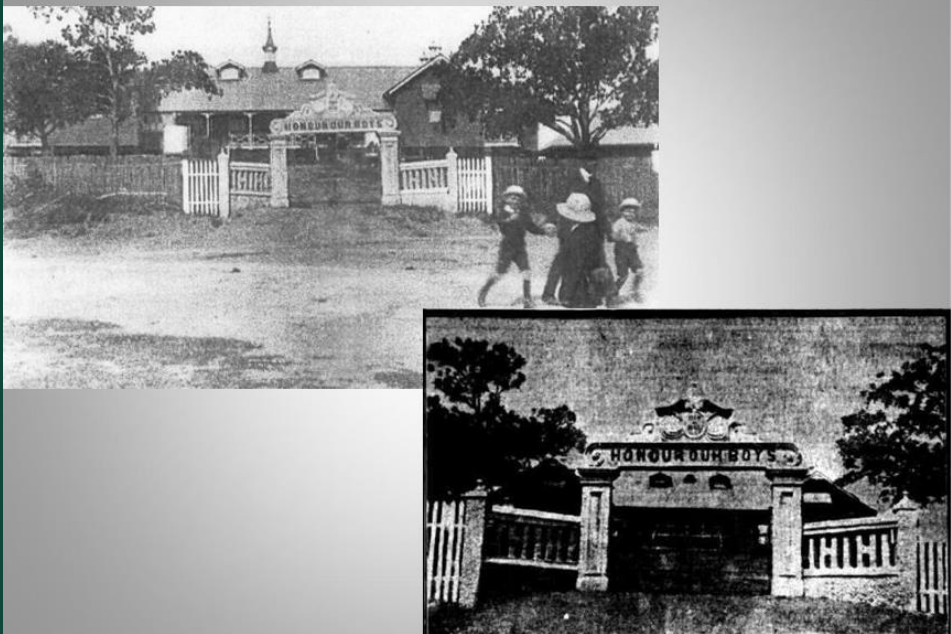
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Historical Artefacts:

On site at the college there are several historical artefacts that can be seen.

In 1918 a World War I (WWI) Honour Board was uncovered with the words 'HONOUR OUR BOYS'.



Built to honour the Kelvin Grove boys who fought in World War 1



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Kelvin Grove State School Roll of Honour located in the administration foyer is actually and Honour Board. 208 names of student alumni and teachers wo served in World War 1, 43 of whom were killed in action.



Historical Artefacts:

The bell was placed at the girls school around 1887. The bell was moved around the College grounds until it was placed in its current spot at the front of the Junior Campus.

The bell was only rung by the boys.



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Photo Gallery: Past v Present



PREP AREA 1959 V PREP, YEAR 3 AND YEAR 5 AREA 2025



STATE SCHOOL FOR INFANTS 1956 V JUNIOR SCHOOL LIBRARY 2025



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