

BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

THEN & NOW



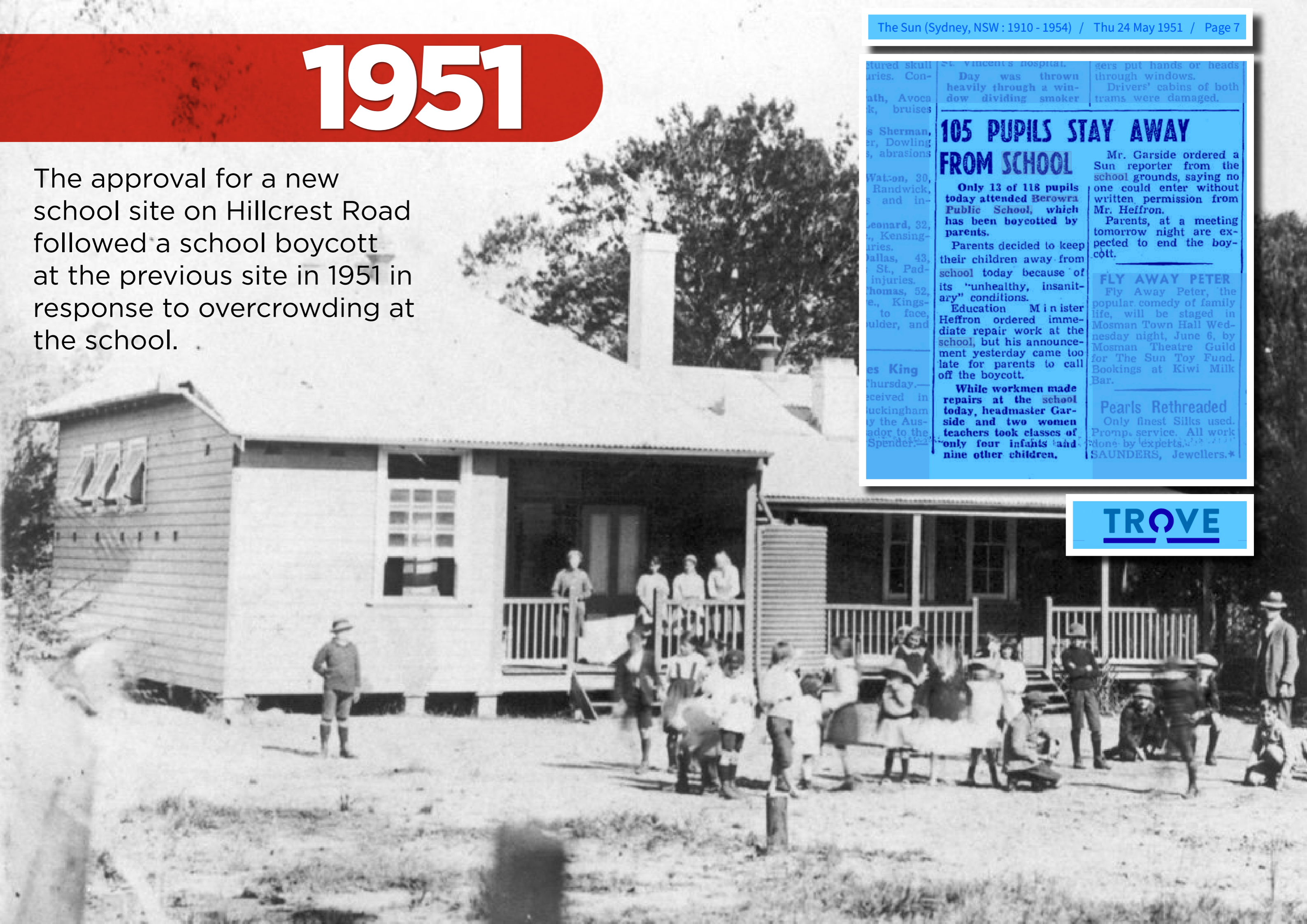
Our historians-in-residence Tia and Noa have been investigating Berowra Public School **Then** and **Now**.



Rare colour photo of the first school building on the new Hillcrest site in 1952.

1951

The approval for a new school site on Hillcrest Road followed a school boycott at the previous site in 1951 in response to overcrowding at the school.



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105 PUPILS STAY AWAY FROM SCHOOL

Only 13 of 118 pupils today attended Berowra Public School, which has been boycotted by parents.

Parents decided to keep their children away from school today because of its "unhealthy, insanitary" conditions.

Education Minister Heffron ordered immediate repair work at the school, but his announcement yesterday came too late for parents to call off the boycott.

While workmen made repairs at the school today, headmaster Garside and two women teachers took classes of only four infants and nine other children.

Mr. Garside ordered a Sun reporter from the school grounds, saying no one could enter without written permission from Mr. Heffron.

Parents, at a meeting tomorrow night are expected to end the boycott.

FLY AWAY PETER

Fly Away Peter, the popular comedy of family life, will be staged in Mosman Town Hall Wednesday night, June 6, by Mosman Theatre Guild for The Sun Toy Fund. Bookings at Kiwi Milk Bar.

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1947

DAIRY FARM OWNED BY MR NICOLL ON HILLCREST ROAD IN 1947. 5 YEARS LATER BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL WOULD RELOCATE TO THIS SITE.

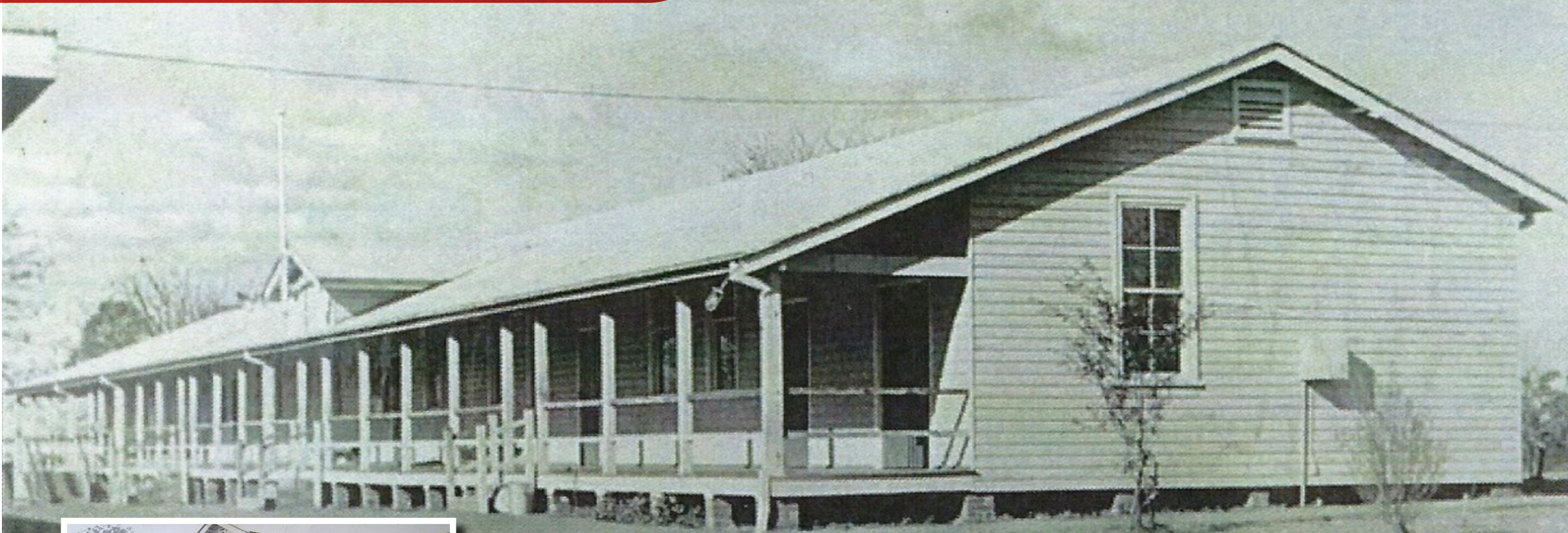
1952

NEW SCHOOL BUILDING (BELOW) WITH FOUR CLASSROOMS AT THE NEW BEROWRA PUBLIC SCHOOL SITE ON HILLCREST ROAD IN 1952 AT A COST OF £5412.

Aerial photographs are an excellent source of historical evidence.

1960

This photo shows evidence of extension work carried out in 1953. A second building on the left has been added.

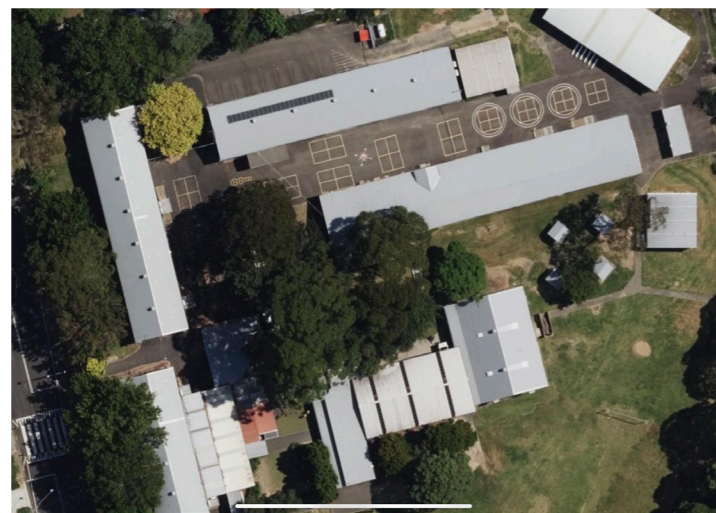


With the new school building behind them, Mr Garside stands with his 4/5/6 class in 1952.



Mr Finlay and his composite 2/3 class in front of the new school building in 1952.

The building today. The girl's noticed that since the original photo was taken, one of the windows has been removed from this end, and an extra classroom was added at the far end.



The 1952 building from the air today.



Noa and Tia using their iPad to compare Then and Now. The building on the left was added in 1957.