

The Second World War

In 1938 the first Domestic Science and Manual Arts classes commenced and these were tailored to meet increasing restrictions as the war progressed. The oval was dug up by parents and volunteers for slit trenches in the event of bombing and students were issued with gas masks. School hours were reduced to a few hours each day with most of the male teachers enlisted in the armed forces. Students joined Junior Red Cross and various cadet groups, as well as joining in fundraising activities where possible. Life for most was governed by restrictions in food, clothing and petrol. The school fife and drum band practised diligently and marched in ANZAC parades through the city - seen here in 1941..

