

The Edmondson Hall



CORPORAL J. H. EDMONDSON, V.C.
Killed in Action, Tobruk, 1941.

Edmondson Hall was named after John Edmondson who attended Hurlstone in the years 1928 to 1930. The hall was built in 1981 and was opened in December by the State member for Ingleburn, Stan Knowles.

The old assembly hall had been built in 1932-1933 of rusticated cypress pine by the students under the supervision of Mr Les Pinn. It was located near where the current canteen stands. It was demolished in April 1979.

Corporal John Edmondson was tragically killed while fighting in the city of Tobruk in Libya on April 13th, 1941. He was only twenty six years of age. Edmondson was awarded a Victoria Cross, the most prestigious award which can be given a soldier in the then British Empire. He was the first Australian and the first soldier from the Empire to be so honoured in World War Two.

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