The Great Pillow Fight of Guy Fawkes’ night, November 5th, 1914 erupted on the school oval. It was well enough planned to escape without waking the Master’s and meet at the sports ground at zero hour. Thorold House was to be against the two smaller houses, Delpratt and McKinley. Over one hundred boys armed with pillows, some with tennis ball filled socks, commenced battle. In the dark and all clad in pyjamas, friend or foe could not be distinguished, and it turned into an all in melee with pillow stuffing covering the ground like snow.

Horace Dixon was none too pleased to wake to the sight and asked for ringleaders to announce themselves. This did not occur, so Horace put the whole school on detention for the rest of the term. I bet it was worth it….. Photo below of some of the culprits?