

Place name Primary School No. 1107

Survey Date:

Other name Bundalaguah State School

Id:

675

Street Maffra-Sale Road

Last Update

Locality Bundalaguah

Postcode 3851

Official Locality

Property No HO77

Local Government Area Wellington Shire

Property Info

Precinct: Not in precinct

Easting 500900

Northing 5791400

Map Sale 8321-4-4

Workshop number

Workshop votes

Field survey number

Community priority

Designer ; Builder: JANSEN & SON

Builder

Ownership

Built Date 1871 - 187 **Change Date**

Description Former Use: 1871-72

Date Started: 1871

Date Finished: 1872

Storeys: 1

Desc: Primary School

Walls: Brick

Roof: Corrugated Iron. (Heritage Victoria, 601774)

The original school building is located at the front of the school (L. Manning July 2001)

Small brick school, substantially intact. Rendered architraves surround 6-paned, double hung sash windows. McMillan cairn opposite.

Condition

Integrity

Cairn

History

Bundalaguah Primary School no. 1107 was established in 1872 as Common School. The Common School Act of 1862 was intended to amalgamate schools and hence reduce denominational influence. The Act abolished the National and Denominational School Boards. The Common Schools Board dictated precisely the plan and internal arrangements of funded schools. No ornamentation was permitted by the Board. Common Schools were publicly owned and given a sequential number from 1863 (Heritage Victoria, 601774)

Bundalaguah is an Aboriginal work for "the meeting of the waters" and the school was established at a settlement near the place where the Thompson and Macalister Rivers meet. A cairn commemorating the exploration of the district by Angus Macmillan in 1840 stands opposite the school, marking the approximate location of Macmillan's track. (Heritage Victoria, 601774)

The school was built on a site donated by the first settler in the district, A. Clark, and was funded by the local community with one quarter of the funds coming from the Common Schools Board.

The brick building measuring 30 by 18 feet was commenced on 13 November 1871 and was opened on 21 October 1872.

NOTE: Laurie Manning advised that the first wooden building was erected by Nov. 1870, with the school establishment date being 1871 (L. Manning, July 2001)

The school was built by Louis Jensen.

The building was made of handmade bricks; the clay was dug from a paddock opposite the school. The school was officially established on November 1 1872, under the authority of the Board of Education (Common Schools Board) but was operating some time before this (East Gippsland Regional Planning Committee 1980:34).

Heritage Protections Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
Planning Scheme	HO77		Listed
Victorian Heritage Register	601774		File only

National Estate

Research Required

Recommendations

Fieldwork priority?

Stage 1 Ranking Assessed & protected **Stage 2 priority** No Action: Already include

Final Ranking State significance **Final Recommendation** Amendment C26

Statement of significance The school is a representative and relatively intact example of a early brick single-room Common School built according to the directions of the Common Schools Board. (Heritage Victoria, 601774)

Extent of designation

Informant

Notes

Follow up

Bibliography East Gippsland Regional Planning Committee, (1980), Sites of historical significance in the East Gippsland Region, East Gippsland Regional Planning Committee C/-Town and Country Planning Board, Mel, 34
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