
WESTBREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL NO.4158



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Location

2-10 PASCOE STREET,, PASCOE VALE VIC 3044 - Property No 43326

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO417

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

Westbreen Primary School No.4158, comprising part of the former Pascoe Vale school moved to this site by 1929, at 2-10 Pascoe Street, Pascoe Vale. It is a simple weatherboard school of typical early twentieth century design.

Other buildings on the site are not significant.

How is it significant?

Westbreen Primary School is of local historic and social significance to Moreland City.

Why is it significant?

It is historically and socially significant as tangible evidence of the formation of the Westbreen community (now part of Pascoe Vale) in the early twentieth century and as a building that has played an important role in community life for over 70 years. It is notable as a rare surviving example of an early weatherboard school building in a metropolitan area, the majority of which have been replaced by brick buildings by the 1920s (Criteria A, B & G)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - City of Moreland - North of Bell Street Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2013;
Hermes Number	139966
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Physical Description 1

As noted in the history, the 1929-30 section of the Westbreen School comprises part of the former Pascoe Vale school constructed by c.1911. In appearance it resembles a two-room rural weatherboard school and is L-shaped in plan with a gabled corrugated iron roof. It is clad in weatherboards placed horizontally along the walls and vertically in the gable ends. There are large banks of multi-paned windows with hoppers in the end elevations and two tall brick chimneys. There is a small flat-roofed addition on the south side. The building is in good condition.

The 1929 school is situated within an asphalted area in the south-east corner of the school near the intersection of West Street and Pascoe Street. It now forms part of a larger complex and is connected to other buildings on its north side. Despite later additions, the 1929 school remains legible and recognisable as the original part of the complex.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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