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# WONGA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 3241 AND RESIDENCE



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## Location

41 Dudley Road WONGA PARK, Manningham City

## Municipality

MANNINGHAM CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO52

## Heritage Listing

## Statement of Significance

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Of local significance as a timber schoolroom of a characteristic type designed by J B Cohen, built in 1912 (replacing an earlier school erected in 1895) and a teacher's residence dating from 1920- 21. and school built for the children of the district's orcharding and farming families, and successor to the earlier school located here to serve the children of the Eight Hour Pioneer settlers. It is historically significant for its association with the Eight Hour Pioneer Settlement and as an early surviving community building in Wonga Park. It is of social significance as a traditional community focus in Wonga Park and as a central part of Wonga Park's identity. It is the only Edwardian school in the municipality and the teacher's residence is the only surviving example in the municipality. The school site contains examples of a range of standard school building types, along with the school residence, a rare local example illustrating the evolution of a school site and community. (criterion A4, B2, D2, H1)

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## Historical Australian Themes

Local Themes

6.03 - Schools

### Physical Description 1

An Edwardian timber schoolroom, gable-roofed, with a brick chimney and fireplace, lobby and cloakroom, now altered and extended. It was originally 21'6" x 21' internally, designed to accommodate 32 dual desks (64 pupils). It has two small highlight windows facing the fireplace and a large window facing the door. The gable has expressed timbering decoration, and there are Kemp & Sheehan conical roof vents. This plan was the most popular at the time and the design used frequently.

The residence is a 4-roomed double-fronted timber Californian Bungalow, the right bay set forward, with the verandah under the main room at left. The roof is a gable across with a minor gable projecting at the right. The upper gables jetty on joists. The windows are triples with highlights.

There are a number of other school buildings on the grounds that reflect stages in the development of the school. One is a timber LTC classroom.

Oak trees mark the front boundary; there are also two large oaks within the grounds.

### Physical Conditions

**Condition** Excellent

## **Integrity**

**Integrity** Minor Modifications

## **Physical Description 2**

**Threats** None apparent

## **Physical Description 3**

Associations

Eight Hour Pioneer Settlement

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