# **Axedale Primary School No. 1008**



196709 Axedale Primary School No 1008, 81 High Street, Axedale



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# Location

81 HIGH STREET, AXEDALE - PROPERTY NUMBER 196709, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

# **Municipality**

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

# Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO735

# **Heritage Listing**

Greater Bendigo City

# **Statement of Significance**

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#### What is significant?

The Axedale Primary School including all the fabric of the 1870s brick building and the 1914 addition is significant. Other light timber construction buildings are not significant. The teachers' residence has association with the school but is not a significant building.

#### How is it significant?

The Axedale Primary School is of local historic and social significance for the City of Greater Bendigo.

#### Why is it significant?

The Axedale Primary School is historically significant for its association with the provision of early educational facilities, which had an important role in the developing community. *Criterion A* 

When compared to the construction of timber schools, and the use of portable schools in other McIvor and Strathfieldsaye communities, the permanence of the brick school building reflects the ambitions of Axedale as an enduring community, despite early religious tensions. The school is of social significance for the Axedale community as a place of continuous education since the early 1870s. *Criterion G* 

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Bendigo - Former Shires of McIvor and Strathfieldsaye Heritage Study, Context P/L, 2008;
Construction dates	1870, 1914,
Architect/Designer	Public Works Department,
Other Names	Axedale Common School No.1008,
Hermes Number	32577
Property Number	

# **Physical Description 1**

Axedale Primary School comprises a gable roofed brick classroom built in brick c.1870 with a brick addition of one additional classroom of 31'6" x 24', a cloak room and porch built c.1914. The roof form is half hipped, and there are a series of six roof ventilators arrayed across the roof. The windows are multi-paned double hung sashes with hopper sashes above. The ceiling is coved and interior fittings included a corner fireplace and a teacher's platform. The original building has undergone a number of changes including alterations to the size and nature of window openings. A new covered way has been joined to the porch. Other buildings on the site include a weatherboard teacher's residence built c.1950. Additional classrooms have been added to the school and these are of light timber construction in a standard design.

# **Physical Conditions**

Good

# Integrity

Altered

# **Historical Australian Themes**

# 8. Building Community Life

#### 8.1 Educating people

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