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# BUNYIP STATE SCHOOL SS2229, CYPRESS HEDGE



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## Location

Nar Nar Goon Longwarry Road BUNYIP, Cardinia Shire

## Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO88

## Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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Bunyip State School SS2229 has significance for Cardinia Shire as an important community landmark built in the 1930s, a period of expansion for Bunyip. The splendid cypress hedge was notable once, with the school's name clipped into the street frontage (possibly not maintained and longer visible in 2015); this type of topiary being once a more common element in the Shire and the State but now rare. The red brick, tiled and hipped roof school, opened on 10 April 1931 is also significant for its external state of preservation and as the only school of its era and style in the Shire.

## Regional Significance

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Construction dates	1930,
Other Names	Nar Nar Goon Longwarry Road, Bunyip,
Hermes Number	29982
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

This red brick, tiled and hipped roof school once had a splendid cypress hedge with the school's name clipped into the street frontage. This former landmark has been recently and progressively reduced in length. The school itself is neo-Georgian in style with multi-paned windows and an arcaded porch, using the brickwork as hood moulds over each arch. It is a typical school of its era and location but is well preserved and the only one of its era in the study area (region).

## Physical Conditions

The brick section of the school is externally near original but the hedge and angle-rail front fence have been changed. Unrelated wings have been added to one end of the original school.

## Historical Australian Themes

Themes

8.4 Railway townships

9.2 Schools, kindergartens, libraries

## Physical Description 2

Associations - Victorian Government

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