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Location

138-160 Buckingham Street,RICHMOND, City of Yarra (a.k.a. Davison Street)

Municipality

YARRA CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1635

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO251

Heritage Listing

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 6, 2008

This property is on the Victorian Heritage Register - H1635.

For more information on this property, refer to the Victorian Heritage Register information.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Yarra - Richmond Conservation Study, John & Thurley O'Connor, Ros Coleman & Heather Wright, 1985; Yarra - City of Yarra Heritage Review, Allom Lovell & Associates, 1998; Yarra - City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas, Graeme Butler & Associates, 2007;
Construction dates	1888,
Hermes Number	103838
Property Number	

Physical Description 2

Known as DAVISON St in Clause 43.

Physical Description 1

The former Richmond North Primary School (No. 2798), now the Yarra Primary School (No. 5271) is a two-storey bichromatic brick building which is a striking example of the English Queen Anne style with unusual terracotta faience, pebbled render finish within gables and decorative use of brickwork.

Stylistically, the building is derived from the Queen Anne style London Board schools of the 1870s and 80s. Characteristic of the style the school is asymmetrically planned, with steeply pitched gabled roofs. Gable ends have moulded bricks pediments decorated with classically derived scrolled and pedimented moulded brick panels. Walls are of dark brown brick, with red brick quoining, string courses and voussoirs to door and window openings. Windows are multi-paned double-hung sashes, with bottom-hinged highlights, arranged in groups of three. First floor windows on the Buckingham Street elevation moulded brick oriel beneath the bluestone and moulded brick sills. Terracotta panels beneath the first floor windows on the Davison Street elevation bear the words STATE SCHOOL NO. 2798 and ERECTED AD 1888 in raised terracotta lettering. The main cornice is coved and roughcast rendered, and the roof is clad in Marseilles patterned tiles, not original. The entrance is located within a semi-circular arched opening asymmetrically placed below the north gable on the Davison Street elevation.

A red brick and concrete stair has been added to the west elevation, of recent construction.

Integrity

not assessed

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