

# SOUTH MORANG PRIMARY SCHOOL NO. 1975



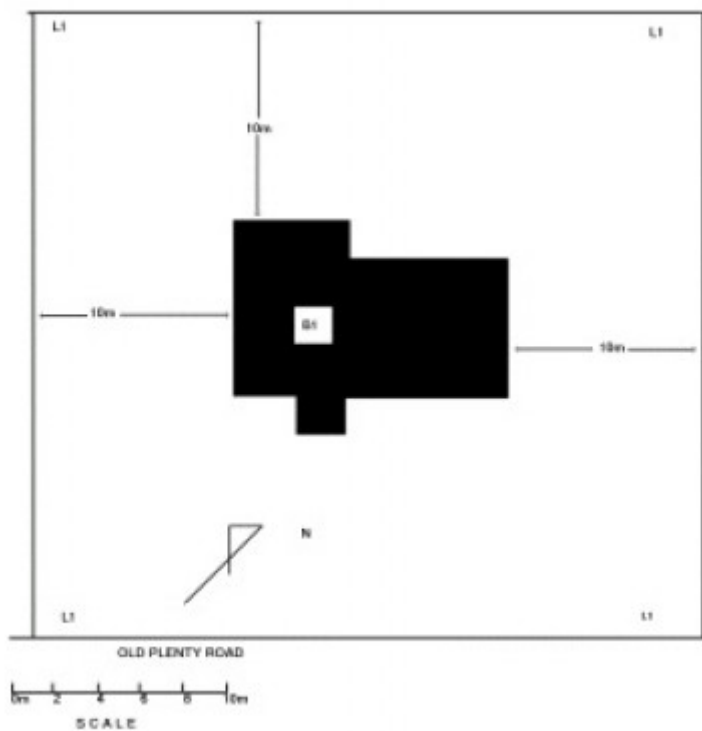
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## Location

879 PLENTY ROAD SOUTH MORANG, WHITTLESEA CITY

## Municipality

WHITTLESEA CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1398

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO28

## VHR Registration

December 11, 1997

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 14, 1999

### STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:

South Morang Primary School No. 1975 consists of a bluestone schoolroom with entry porch and a four roomed residence in the same material. It was constructed in 1877 by contractor Richard Davies to the design of Victorian Education Department architect HR Bastow. A kitchen and verandah were added at the rear in 1902; the gallery was removed in 1915 and a verandah at the front was added in the 1950s. The building no longer operates as a school.

South Morang Primary School No. 1975 is of architectural and historical significance to the State of Victoria.

South Morang Primary School No. 1975 is architecturally significant as a rare and relatively intact example of a bluestone '60' type Education Department single room school with attached four roomed residence. The school building is the only known bluestone example of this type surviving. The building is a representative example of the work of the prolific and important Education Department architect Henry Robert Bastow. Bastow later became a member of the Public Works Department staff and was responsible for the design of many schools, police and court buildings throughout Victoria. Schools attributed to Bastow number more than 100 and were designed between 1873 and 1894 after which time he was retrenched from the department as a result of the 1890s depression. South Morang Primary School is an early and modest example of his work and the only one of its type with surviving architectural drawings signed by him. The school is also unusual in that most of Bastow's works were large and located in urban settings.

South Morang Primary School No. 1975 is historically significant for its ability to demonstrate the provision of education to Victorian children in the nineteenth century. It is important as an example of a small rural school built in the years following the Education Act of 1872 which established a free, compulsory and secular education system in Victoria. South Morang Primary School is also historically important as a combined school and residence illustrative of its rural nature.

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

### **Specific Exemptions:**

#### EXEMPTIONS FROM PERMITS:

(Classes of works or activities which may be undertaken without a permit under Part 4 of the Heritage Act 1995)

#### General Conditions:

All exempted alterations are to be planned and carried out in a manner which prevents damage to the fabric of the registered place or object.

Should it become apparent during further inspection or the carrying out of alterations that original or previously hidden or inaccessible details of the place or object are revealed which relate to the significance of the place or object, then the exemption covering such alteration shall cease and the Executive Director shall be notified as soon as possible.

If there is a conservation policy and plan approved by the Executive Director, all works shall be in accordance with it.

Nothing in this declaration prevents the Executive Director from amending or rescinding all or any of the permit exemptions.

Nothing in this declaration exempts owners or their agents from the responsibility to seek relevant planning or building permits from the responsible authority where applicable.

#### Exterior

Repairs and maintenance which replace like with like.

Demolition or removal of outbuildings and sheds.

Repair, removal or replacement of fences and gates.

Erection or installation of small outbuildings or sheds provided that the floor area does not exceed 25 square metres or the height 3 metres.

Removal of extraneous items such as air conditioners, pipe work, ducting, wiring, antennae, aerials etc, and making good.

Installation or repair of damp-proofing by either injection method or grouted pocket method.

Installation, removal or replacement of garden watering systems.

Regular garden maintenance.

## Interior

Painting of previously painted surfaces provided that preparation or painting does not remove evidence of the original paint or other decorative scheme.

Patching or repair of plaster provided that new work matches good adjacent work in style, detail and finish.

Installation, removal or replacement of carpets, tiles and/or flexible floor coverings.

Installation, removal or replacement of curtain track, rods, blinds and other window dressings.

Installation, removal or replacement of hooks, nails and other devices for the hanging of mirrors, paintings and other wall mounted artworks.

Refurbishment of bathrooms or toilets including removal, installation or replacement of sanitary fixtures and associated piping, mirrors, wall and floor coverings.

Installation, removal or replacement of kitchen benches and fixtures including sinks, stoves, ovens, refrigerators, dishwashers etc and associated plumbing and wiring.

Installation, removal or replacement of ducted, hydronic or concealed radiant type heating provided that the installation does not damage existing skirtings and architraves and provided that the location of the heating unit is concealed from view.

Installation, removal or replacement of electrical wiring provided that all new wiring is fully concealed and any original light switches, pull cords, push buttons or power outlets are retained in-situ. Note: if wiring original to the place was carried in timber conduits then the conduits should remain in-situ.

Installation, removal or replacement of bulk insulation in the roof space.

Installation, removal or replacement of smoke detectors.

Construction dates	1877,
Architect/Designer	Bastow, Henry Robert,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	4855
Property Number	

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## History

Associated People: Owner DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION;

## Extent of Registration

### NOTICE OF REGISTRATION

As Executive Director for the purpose of the Heritage Act, I give notice under Section 46 that the Victorian Heritage Register is amended by including the Heritage Register Number 1398 in the category described as a Heritage Place:

South Morang Primary School No. 1975, Old Plenty Road, South Morang, Whittlesea City Council.

### EXTENT:

1. All of the building marked B1 on Diagram 607136 held by the Executive Director.

2. All of the land marked L1 on Diagram 607136 held by the Executive Director, being part of the land described as State School Reserve, proclaimed in the Government Gazette on 11 December 1878, Page 81.

Dated 4 December 1997

RAY TONKIN

Executive Director

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G49 11 December 1997 pp.3437-3438]

*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.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*