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# BRUNSWICK FREE KINDERGARTEN



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## Location

61 GLENLYON ROAD,, BRUNSWICK VIC 3056 - Property No 3053

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO303

## Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 23, 2004

What is significant?

Brunswick Free Kindergarten, 61 Glenlyon Road, Brunswick to the extent of the 1929 building, any surviving fittings and fixtures and trees dating from the 1930s in the northern play area.

How is it significant?

Brunswick Free Kindergarten, 61 Glenlyon Road, Brunswick is of local to the city of Moreland and state historic significance.

Why is it significant?

Of State historic significance, as one of the first kindergartens affiliated with the Free Kindergarten Union, a pioneering voluntary organisation established in 1908, responsible for a initiatives including the training of kindergarten teachers, medical and dental inspection of preschool children and funding of kindergartens and their staff in Victoria. (AHC Criteria A.4, D.2 & G.1)

It is of local historic significance for its continued provision of preschool education in Brunswick from 1924, occupying the same building for the past 78 years of its 80 years, and for its association with James Allard, noted Brunswick director of the Cornwell Pottery Company and owner of the land on which the kindergarten was constructed. (AHC Criteria A.4 & B.2)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004;
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## Physical Description 1

Brunswick Free Kindergarten at 61 Glenlyon Road Brunswick consists of two main buildings. The earlier building is a brick building with a prominent parapeted gable with Art Deco influences in the simple moulded decoration. The upper section of the front facade is rendered and ruled in an ashlar pattern. The lower section, below a narrow string course, is painted face brick. A name plate marks the building as Brunswick Free Kindergarten.

The two box-framed windows are a dominant feature of the main facade. Each window is a triple-light, and each section has three distinct sections: a large hopper window, a middle section with crossed glazing bars and a highlight window. Above each is a row of three small windows.

The eastern wall is face brick that has been painted. It has three triple-light windows with detailing similar for those on the main facade. The western wall is weatherboard, and a bathroom block links the 1929 building to the 1954-55 cream brick playroom building to the west.

Internally, original fittings and fixtures such as wooden benches and fireplace (no longer in use) are said to survive. A tree planted in 1930s is said to remain in the large playground on the northern side of the block.

## Physical Conditions

Good

## Integrity

Evidence of stages

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