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(Post 1968)

North Ringwood State School No 4120.

North Ringwood school was built in 1923 by Mr E.Murray and his son in Oban Road on land given by Mr J.Williams. The official opening in October was performed by the Hon. W.Everard, M.L.A. for Evelyn in the Victorian State Parliament.

The first Head Teacher was Mr J.Mason and on October 14th 1923 school commenced with fifteen pupils, ten of these being transferred from Ringwood. Mr Mason hired Mr Lades horse and buggy to carry these children to their new school on opening day and by the end of the year twenty four names were on the roll.

Enrolments increased steadily and by 1929 it was necessary to enlarge the single classroom, school being held in a nearby vacant house during this period.

The number of pupils increased steadily over the years and in 1951 an Infant room was built, in 1968 another classroom and a storeroom were added. At times the school seemed to be growing steadily but the opening of Norwood, Park Orchards and Mullum schools greatly reduced North Ringwoods numbers.

When first built the school was in a quiet rural area in the midst of orchard and bushland, but with the steady growth of the district and subdivision if adjacent land for housing it seems certain that the school will increase greatly from the present seventy six pupils and the Education Department has acquired extra land for this future growth.

The success of the school in the sporting world can be judged by the number of pictures on the walls, such pictures being given as trophies at the district Schools' Sports Meetings.

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Over the years many ex-pupils have served in the various Services both at home and abroad.

The school has been very fortunate in the matter of teaching appointments and over the years the academic success of many of the children would bear witness to their sound teachimg at Primary school.