



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 15730
2. **NAME** *Broome Primary School Music Room* (1925)  
**FORMER NAME** Broome Special School  
 Broome Junior High School
3. **LOCATION** Weld Street, Broome
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
 That portion of Broome Lot 2788, being part of Crown Reserve 6767 and being part of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3003 Folio 130 as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 15730 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Broome
6. **OWNER** State of Western Australia
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 15/12/2000  
 Permanent Entry 16/03/2001
  - National Trust Classification: -----
  - Town Planning Scheme: -----
  - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 30/06/1996
  - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*Broome Primary School Music Room*, an early Twentieth Century tropical classroom which was originally built as an Infant School classroom, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place has rarity value as one of a small number of early Twentieth Century tropical classrooms constructed in the north and north-west of Western Australia. It is one of only a few that are still extant;

the place is a good example of a Public Works Department classroom building adapted to suit the tropical climate. It shared the aesthetic characteristics of the first classroom building (1901), which is no longer extant;

the place demonstrates the Public Work Department's innovative incorporation of passive cooling devices within a standard type of PWD building to suit the tropical climate of Broome;

the place is highly valued for its contribution to the historic character of the area and, as a result, contributes to the local and wider communities' sense of place;

the place has social value as it has continuously served the community of Broome as an integral component of an important educational, social and community centre since its construction; and,

together with the older buildings that comprise Broome Primary School, the place reflects the increased development of the town of Broome at the turn of the twentieth century as a result of the growth of the place as a principal North-West port for the pearling industry and the beef cattle industry.

Other buildings which comprise Broome Primary School are: the Staff Room Building (Building 2) (1956), the Classroom Block (Building 3) (1959, 1966 and 1971), the Classroom and Arts and Crafts Block (Building 4) (1972), the Library Building (Building 5) (1966, 1972), the Cluster Classroom (Building 6) (1988), the Administration Building (Building 7) (1988) and the Covered Assembly (Building 8) (1988). These buildings are considered to have little cultural heritage significance.