



608 - 610 Wallington Road, Wallington 3222

Phone: 03 52 501841

Fax: 03 52 501459

ABN: 60 091 751 408

Email: wallington.ps@education.vic.gov.au

www.wallington-ps.vic.edu.au

Principal – Glen Lauder

School Context

Wallington is a small school situated in a rural setting. It is approximately 6 km from Ocean Grove to our south and 7 km from Leopold to our west. The school provides a focal point for the local community and we enjoy a wide range of community participation at the school. There has been a school on the site since 1868 so we have a long tradition of community involvement.

The school comprises of a modern main administration area and classrooms. The addition of a new Multi- Purpose Room, Arts Centre and kitchen facility has provided the school with a space that is open and flexible and can be used by classes for a wide range of learning activities. The flexibility is enhanced with the building allowing for the combining of the indoor and outdoor learning areas.

The playground is spacious and provides our students with sufficient area to stimulate their imaginations in a safe environment. Incorporated in the playground is a passive area where children who want a quiet area to play can go. The school also has a large oval that is used for sporting events such as cross country, Friday sport, and a range of other activities.

The strengths of the school are many and include such things as a commitment to lifelong learning, the size of the school population, the ability of the staff to work as a team and to support each other through their planning, commitment and willingness to embrace new ideas and methods, the family atmosphere that exists in the school and the development of innovative programs which challenge and engage students in their learning. A major focus of the program is the delivery of a “differentiated” curriculum to ensure that all students are catered for and supported in their learning at Wallington Primary School.

The Values of the School are:

- Respect
- Resilience
- Responsibility

These values support us in our belief that all students can learn and that we must always strive for continuous improvement in everything that we do. If we can achieve this then we will have students who enjoying learning, being positively involved in their school, are becoming independent, lifelong learners and effective members of the school and wider community.

Wallington Primary School is the “**Home of the Strawberry Fair**”. This well-known fundraising event provides the school with additional funds to put towards vital programs in the school such as ICT equipment, specialist programs, and other equipment for the school. The Strawberry Fair is run by the parents and it is our hope that all parents get involved in the running of the day in some shape or form.

Wallington Primary School is a vibrant and proactive school that caters for the social, emotional and academic needs of the students. The staff at the school are passionate about their students and work with the parents and the student to provide a positive learning environment.

Policy Framework

The 2006 Education and Training Reform Act (ETRA) underpins the Department of Education and Training (DET) enrolment policy which can be found at:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/principals/spag/Pages/azindexe.aspx>

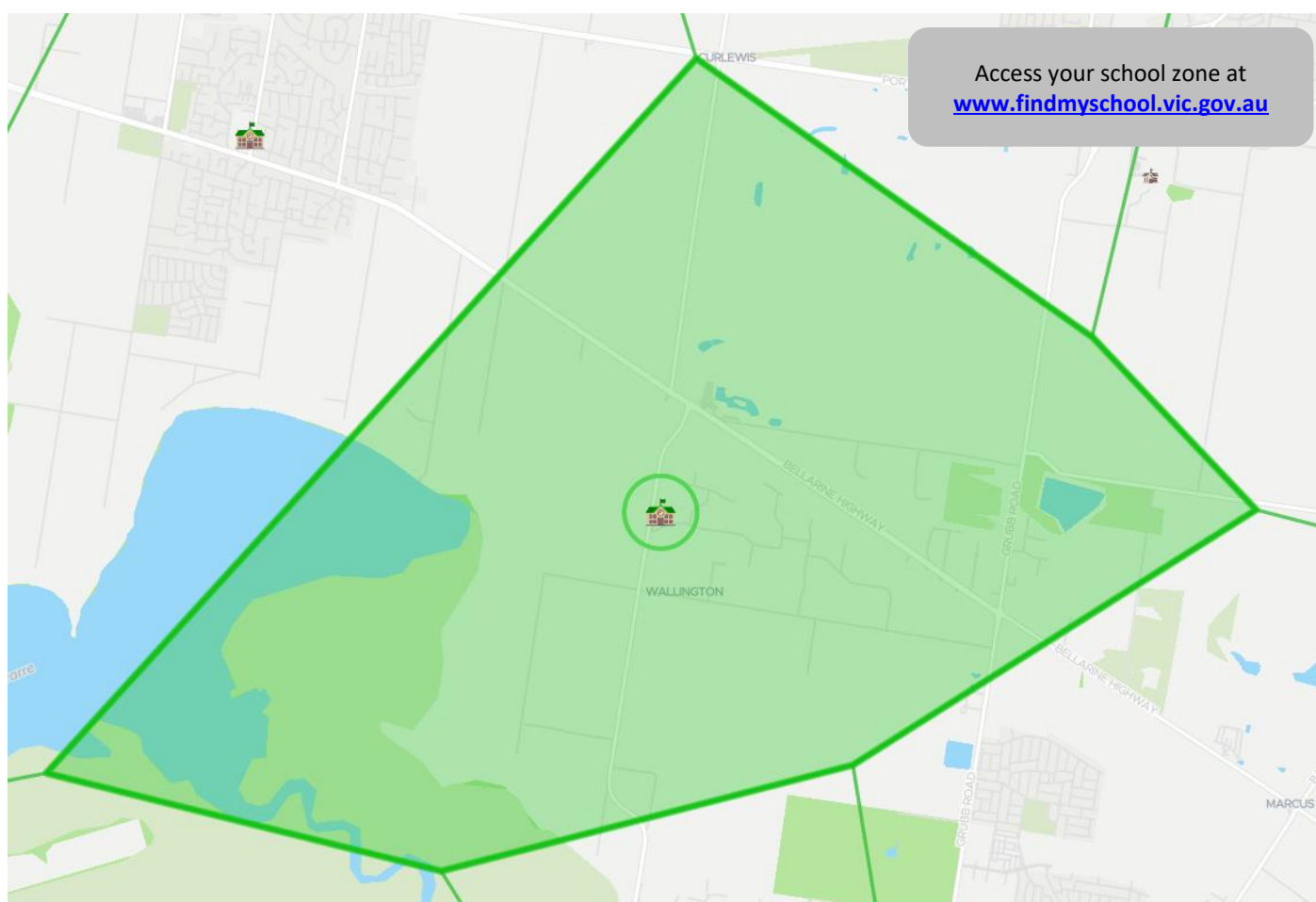
The policy states that all eligible children and young people have the right to be admitted to their designated neighbourhood government school.

2020 School zone

The Wallington PS zone has been approved by the Minister for Education and ensures consistency with DET policy and the ETRA legislation regarding closest school.

A student's designated neighbourhood school is generally the school that is nearest the student's permanent address as determined by the school zone. The website <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au> provides guidance on which school zone a student's permanent residence is located within.

2021 School zone for Wallington PS



Priority Order of Placement

The potential future demand for enrolment places from within the local community indicates that Wallington PS must manage enrolments carefully and in accordance with the Priority Placement Order in the Enrolment Policy. A student's permanent place of address determines eligibility for enrolment at Wallington PS.

Where there are insufficient places at a school for all students who seek entry, students are enrolled according to the Placement Policy's priority order of placement, which has five criteria.

In circumstances when a school may not be able to accept all applications due to existing or future capacity concerns, schools must manage enrolment applications in accordance with the following priority order of placement:

1. **Students for whom the school is the designated neighbourhood school.**
2. **Students with a sibling at the same permanent address who are attending the school at the same time.**
3. Where the Regional Director has restricted the enrolment, students who reside nearest the school.
4. Students seeking enrolment on specific curriculum grounds.
5. All other students in order of closeness of their home to the school

The future capacity needs at Wallington PS mean that enrolments will be confined to the first two criteria.

In exceptional circumstances, a student may be enrolled in a school based on compassionate grounds. **This is an overarching consideration and does not form part of the priority order of placement.** Schools are permitted to assess and make a determination for exceptional circumstances on a case-by-case basis.

Schools must ensure that all applicants eligible under a criterion have been offered a place before moving to consideration of the next. All students for whom the school is the designated neighbourhood school are guaranteed enrolment.

If you have any questions regarding the Wallington PS Enrolment Management Plan, please contact the school.

Glen Lauder

Wallington PS