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ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 2021-22 BUSH FIRE SEASON

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to let you know about arrangements for our school for the current bush fire season.

Our school has been identified as a school at increased risk if a bush fire were to break out on a day when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating is issued for our area.

To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students and staff, the NSW Department of Education has determined that on days when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating is issued for our area, the school will temporarily cease operations for the day(s) the rating is current and alternative learning arrangements will be put in place. This is based on information obtained through a bush fire assessment of our school arranged by the department.

A Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating is likely to occur on a very small number of days during the bush fire season, if at all. To ensure continued support of student learning on these days, I encourage you to involve your children in any of the following beneficial learning opportunities at home: homework, independent recall practise (eg; number facts, sight words, letters, sounds), reading, class related project, gross motor activities, use of online educational websites (eg; Mathletics) diary/journal writing, playing music, making art, family chores.

The school will only receive notification of a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating after school hours the day before the forecast is issued. To assist me in contacting all parents please ensure that you have provided the school with up-to-date home or after hours contact details.

Information for parents and carers provided by the department about these arrangements is attached. Up to date bush fire information will also be available to you on the department's bush fire safety website. The link for this site is: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/inside-the-department/health-and-safety/emergency-planning-and-incident-response/emergency-management-procedures/bushfire-planning>

Please contact the school on 4784 1251 if you would like any further information about this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

May Ptolemy
Principal