

FIRE DANGER SEASON



The fire danger season can be an anxious time for children and families. DECD schools and preschools in high risk bushfire areas have Emergency and Bushfire Response Plans to keep everybody as safe as possible in the event of a bushfire or other emergency. We hope that we will never have to enact our plans, however in the event of a bushfire emergency we trust that we will have your full support. By being prepared and acting now, you will help us to be Fire Danger Season ready and keep your children as safe as possible.

A *Bushfire & your child's school or preschool brochure* is available on the DECD website. Parents/caregivers are invited to contact the school if they would like a copy.

Approaching Bushfire

If our site is open and a bushfire is approaching, the safety of children is our highest priority. Our designated Bushfire Refuge (town oval) is the safest place for staff and students to be. We will not evacuate unless there are no other options or as advised by CFS or other emergency services.

Forecast Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating

Catastrophic Fire Danger Days occur when conditions are the worst for a bush or grass fire and if a fire starts and takes hold it will be extremely difficult to control. When a catastrophic fire danger rating is forecast for the following day by the Bureau of Meteorology, all high risk schools and preschools in the declared Fire Ban District will be closed. Parents and carers will be informed of the closure and that they will need to make alternative arrangements for their children on these days. No Vacation or Out of School Hours Care will operate on these days.

**EUDUNDA AREA SCHOOL WILL BE DIRECTED TO CLOSE
AND NO-ONE IS PERMITTED ON SITE**

on any forecast CATASTROPHIC fire danger days within the
Mid North ban district due to proximity to a nearby
Extreme/Very High Risk school/preschool