

Please take a few minutes to read through our information for parents and start getting your family ready now for the fire season— a little preparation and organization now may save lives. A full copy of our bushfire policies and procedures is on the Curriculum Board for your information.

STIRLING DISTRICT KINDERGARTEN

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BUSHFIRE PROCEDURES

Our first concern at all times is the safety of the children.

The Kindergarten will be CLOSED and the gates locked on a day declared CATASTROPHIC (CODE RED).

Because of the unique nature of the bushfire danger in the Adelaide Hills and on the advice of the Country Fire Services, *schools and preschools in the Adelaide Hills may be closed on days of Extreme bushfire weather* conditions.

When these closures occur, all school bus services in the Adelaide Hills will be cancelled to minimise the risk of children and staff travelling on roads during times of high fire danger.

THREE LEVELS OF ALERT on TOTAL FIRE BAN DAYS:

DAY OF TOTAL FIRE BAN IN MT. LOFTY AREA

Kindy open, but parents may prefer to keep children home.

Any excursions planned will be cancelled

Monitor Radio station AM891

If conditions worsen, parents to collect children.

ADVICE WARNING

A FIRE HAS STARTED

1. This involves the whole area where children live, including the area through which the children travel.

2. For Stirling District Kindergarten this will cover a radius from the Kindergarten encompassing Crafers, Crafers West, Upper Sturt, Piccadilly, Summertown, Carey Gully, Aldgate, Bridgewater, Heathfield, Mylor, Mt Lofty.
3. Parents/ Guardians/ Caregivers should collect children promptly if they can do so in safety. It should be remembered that children will not be released to unauthorised adults.
4. Kindergarten will be closed to children and no further sessions will be offered on this day.
5. Staff members will remain with any child who has not been collected until such time as they can be released into the care of an authorised adult.

WATCH AND ACT

FIRE APPROCHING THE BUILDING

1. Should any children be at the Kindergarten at this point staff will follow the Bushfire Action Plan.
2. Local CFS (next door) will be informed that there are still people in the building.
3. Staff will prepare wet blankets and turn on hose sprinklers.

EMERGENCY WARNING

FIRE IMINENT

1. The kindergarten is in the path of the fire, those left in the building will be ushered into the small brick room, with water, roll book and mobile phone and covered with wet blankets until the danger has passed.
2. Parents/ Guardians/ Caregivers should collect their children when the danger has pasted and they are not putting themselves at risk.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE 000
CFS HOTLINE 1300 362 361
ADELAIDE HILLS COUNCIL 8408 0400