



Bushfire Emergency Contact:

TWPS/School: **8520 2277**

TWCCC: **8520 2358**

Please note that these numbers may be congested during an emergency situation. You may not be able to get through immediately. Check for messages on the Skoolbag app. and listen to local ABC radio and FIVEaa for updates.

If no answer, the school & TWCCC have evacuated to the hall or the Uniting Church. Please seek advice from the CFS on 1300 362 361. Parents are advised to not come to the school without contacting the CFS, to ensure their own safety.

During school holidays the **Two Wells Community Children's Centre** will still evacuate to the hall.

For more information:

DECD Emergency and Crisis Management Website

Department for Education and Child Development:

www.crisis.sa.edu.au

SA Country Fire Service (CFS) Website:

www.cfs.sa.gov.au

CFS Bushfire Information Hotline:

1300 362 361

During days of forecast catastrophic fire danger ratings or an actual bushfire, the DECD Parent Bushfire Information Hotline will be activated.

DECD Parent Bushfire Information Hotline:

1800 000 279

2015/2016 Fire Danger Season

Information for Families

Two Wells Primary
School
Two Wells Community
Children's Centre

Catastrophic Fire Danger

The Fire Danger Season can be an anxious time for children and families.

Schools and Preschools in bushfire prone areas have emergency plans called Bushfire Action Plans, to keep everybody as safe as possible in the event of a bushfire. By being prepared, and acting now, you will help our schools and preschools to be bushfire ready and keep our children as safe as possible.

How you can help:

We ask parents and carers to:

- Read all bushfire information provided.
- Talk to your children about what will happen if a bushfire occurs when they are at school or preschool.
- Make sure your School and Preschool emergency contact details are up-to-date

To access our Bushfire Action plan see our website.
www.twowellsps.sa.edu.au

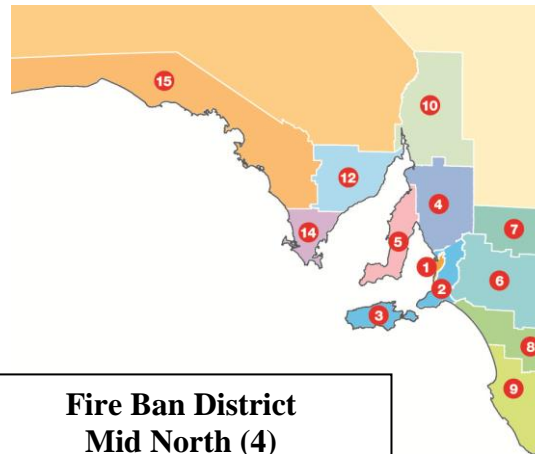
Catastrophic fire danger rating days are days when the weather conditions mean a fire is more likely to start and is more difficult to control.

When a catastrophic fire danger rating is forecast for the following day by the Bureau of Meteorology, all low and medium risk' schools and preschools in the declared Fire Ban District will remain open.

Two Wells Primary School and the **Two Wells Community Children's Centre** have a '**low risk**' bushfire rating. This means on days where a catastrophic fire danger rating is forecast, our school/preschool will **remain open**.

However if a **Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating** is declared for the Mid North via TV Weather reports, CFS and/or radio, our buses and related taxi services will not run. The school will make every attempt to notify bus users via Skoolbag and/or text message.

Parents and caregivers will need to make alternative transport arrangements on these days.



Approaching Bushfire:

If our school or preschool is open and a bushfire is approaching, the safety of students is our highest priority.

The South Australian Police (SAPOL) and the Country Fire Service (CFS) will take charge if a bushfire is approaching. They recommend that in such an event, everybody should remain at their school or preschool unless instructed to do otherwise.

Principals and Preschool Directors must comply with SAPOL and CFS instructions.

If SAPOL have not advised the school or preschool to evacuate then everyone will remain inside a designated building (school hall) and emergency procedures will be activated. These include:

- Moving everybody inside, closing windows, doors, and turning off the air-conditioning.
- Filling available containers with water.
- If it is safe to do so and time permits, turning on all sprinklers and irrigation systems.
- Remaining inside and activating fire drill procedures with the children until the main fire-front passes.
- Listening to local ABC Radio Station and FIVEaa radio stations for bushfire up dates and information.
- If possible, communicating to parents that students are moving into the Bushfire refuge (school hall).

We hope we never have to enact our fire drill procedures; however we are working with our school and preschool community to be bushfire ready in the event of a bushfire emergency and trust that parents and carers will provide their support.