# Woodside Preschool – bushfire preparation

## Preparing for a bushfire

#### Our preschool is bushfire ready

Our preschool has detailed plans in place to keep your child safe in the event a bushfire threatens the preschool.

Each year, we undertake thorough pre-season bushfire preparations, including:

- a bushfire preparation audit
- managing vegetation to reduce bushfire fuel loads on and around the preschool
- updating our emergency management plan and bushfire response plan.

It's important parents and caregivers understand how our preschool will act during fire danger season. The bushfire and your child's school or preschool brochure explains:

- bushfire risk ratings and what they mean for the school
- what the preschool will do on catastrophic fire danger days
- how the preschool will manage bushfire risk on school excursions and camps
- preschool closures
- how the preschool will respond if threatened by a bushfire

We ask parents and caregivers read and save the brochure to their device.

#### Catastrophic fire ban days

Our school bushfire risk rating is R2. This means if the CFS give advance notice of a forecast catastrophic fire ban danger day, our school will be directed to close automatically.

On catastrophic fire ban days, no persons are permitted on the school grounds regardless of whether it's a week day or weekend.

If the CFS elevates an existing fire danger rating to catastrophic on the day, our preschool will remain open unless otherwise advised.



### How you can prepare for a bushfire emergency

To help us keep your child as safe as possible, we encourage parents and caregivers to prepare for the fire danger season by:

- making a bushfire survival plan with your family
- providing us with your up-to-date contact details
- advising the school if your family's personal bushfire survival plan will impact school attendance
- talking to your child about what will happen if a bushfire emergency occurs
- liking the CFS, SES and SAPOL pages on Facebook
- reading the bushfire and your child's school or preschool brochure.