

Code Red Days & Emergency Management Procedures for Bushfires

During the bushfire season parents need to be mindful of the emergency management procedures that Tyers Primary School will follow if needed.

The decision to close any state school resides with the relevant regional director. On **Code Red Days Tyers Primary School will be pre-emptively closed**. Parents will be notified. No students or staff attend the school on Code Red Days. On other days of high risk the Regional Director for the South-eastern Victoria Region will in consultation with the Municipal Emergency Coordination Centre make a decision as to whether Tyers Primary School will be open, parents will be informed of this as soon as the school is notified, but obviously due to the nature of the scenario this may result in short notice.

For all emergency announcements regarding the effect of bushfires and other incidents on schools and school bus services listen to **ABC Local Radio**. The state wide protocol is for Police, CFA, SES and other emergency services to make announcements using ABC Local radio. The Department of Education and Training will also make announcements using these arrangements if there are school closures, school evacuations, bus service cancellations due to road closures or detours.

Please ensure you listen to 100.7 FM ABC Radio for any updates if fires are impacting on our local area.

Tyers Primary School will try and contact parents directly by telephone to inform you when the school is affected by an emergency situation. Please ensure your contact details are up to date at all times.

If the students are at school and the school comes under ember attack or is at risk, the students will be moved into the BER Building (our shelter in place) and supervised. The school will follow the directions of the fire incident controller in regards to evacuation.

No child will be allowed to go home without an adult if the school comes under alert or ember attack during a school day. If parents are unable to collect their child(ren) due to the fire situation students will be looked after at the school until collected, or will be evacuated to the designated evacuation point and will be supervised by teachers until they are collected.

If parents make arrangements for their child to be collected by another adult we ask that you contact the school by phone to let us know of these arrangements.

On days of high risk we ask that parents make a judgement about sending their child to school and let the school know.