ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 2012-2013 BUSH FIRE SEASON

Dear parent or carer

I am writing to let you know about arrangements for our school for the current bush fire season.

Our school has been identified as a school at increased risk if a fire were to break out on a day when a catastrophic fire danger rating is issued for our area.

To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students and staff, the NSW Department of Education and Communities has determined that on days when a catastrophic fire danger rating is issued for our area, the school will temporarily cease operations for the day(s) the rating is current and alternative learning arrangements will be put in place. This is based on information obtained by a bush fire assessment of our school arranged by the Department.

A catastrophic fire danger rating is likely to occur on a very small number of days during the bush fire season, if at all. To ensure that we continue to support student learning on these days, I have put the following arrangements in place:

- A work pack will be available for students to continue with their studies at home.
- For families who are not able to care for their children on these days, limited places will be available at Sanctuary Point Public School where students will be supervised by teachers from Vincentia Public School.

The school will only receive notification of a catastrophic fire danger rating after school hours the day before the forecast is issued. To assist me in contacting all parents please ensure that you have provided the school with up-to-date home or after hours contact details.

A copy of information for parents provided by the Department about these arrangements is attached.

Please contact the school on telephone 4441 7180 if you would like any further information about this matter.

Yours sincerely

Bill Field
Principal