



# Kahibah Public School

*Respect, Responsibility, Excellence*



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## **EMERGENCY PLANNING & ARRANGEMENTS DURING THE 2020-2021 BUSHFIRE SEASON**

Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to let you know about arrangements for our school for the current bushfire season. The bushfire danger season generally runs from 1 October until 31 March annually. Kahibah Public School is identified as being in a bushfire prone area and as Category 2 on the Department's bushfire register. The school has been assessed as being in an area of land that can support a bushfire or is likely to be subject to bushfire attack.

During the bushfire season, the school will liaise with Emergency Service Agencies during the time of the year when the risk of bushfire is highest. Please listen to the local radio station for bushfire or weather warnings for advice and notification of any possible school closure. If students are already at school and bushfire conditions dramatically change, based on current conditions on any given day an informed decision will be made as to whether the primary action for the school will be to take shelter and remain on school premises or evacuate to an off-site location. If evacuation to an off-site location is decided, Kahibah Sports Club, 63 Kenibea Ave, Kahibah is our current off-site evacuation site.

Ensuring you have downloaded the Skoolbag app and Sentral for Parents app to your smart phone and that the school has your up to date contact details and email addresses would also be of assistance should the school need to contact you in the case of a bushfire emergency. The NSW Rural Fire Service website provides a range of useful information at: [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au). There is also the Fires Near Me Mobile App which can be found in iTunes or Google Play. Further information can also be found at NSW Department of Education's School Safety website: <http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/about-us/news-at-det/bushfire-safety>.

Yours faithfully,

Honi Faasisila  
Principal

1<sup>st</sup> September, 2020

***“Positive Relationships for Positive Learning”***