

Broulee Public School

EMERGENCY RESPONSE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

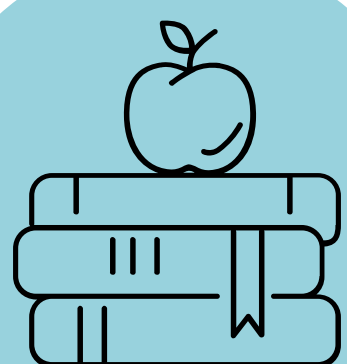


Plan and Prepare



All NSW Public Schools have an Emergency Management Plan and a Bushfire and Grassfire Response Plan. Our plans are reviewed annually (sometimes more) and done in consultation with Work Health and Safety advisors. Our emergency plans cover a spectrum of possible incidents and the lead agency, which varies depending on the nature of the incident, will guide our response.

Proactive Temporarily Cease School Operations



Category 1 schools, such as BPS, will be non operational on days declared as having a Catastrophic Fire Danger rating. Additionally, schools may be directed by the department to become non-operational at any time based on advice from emergency services and the State Emergency Operations Centre. For example, days with a lower rating that have the potential to become catastrophic throughout the day.

Lock Down or Shelter in Place



If an incident occurs and we are to stay on site, depending on the incident students would either:

- Lockdown in their closest room (classroom, library, office etc) and remain there until the end of the lockdown.
- If there is a need to shelter in place, students and staff will move to the school hall and be instructed by the lead agency once the site is cleared.

Evacuation



- Onsite Evacuation Area is on our school oval near the playground equipment. This would mean buses would collect all students and staff and take us to the designated evacuation centre as advised by the lead agency.
- Offsite Evacuation Areas - North Broulee Beach (near the toilet block) or St Peters Anglican College.

An overview

In all situations parents would be contacted via email, Class Dojo, SMS, the Facebook page and the school sign. If communications were down, lead agencies would be advising the community of evacuation centre locations and the students location via their communication tools.