



# Blackheath Public School

## SNOW AND OTHER EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

### Before school start time:

- Listen to the radio for weather and fire updates – 702AM. Check NSW RFS Fires Near Me App. Check Compass or P&C Facebook for a message.
- **If snow has fallen or there is a threat of fire, please don't send children to school in the morning. If the site is non-operational there will be NO staff on site.**
- If roads are open and threat has passed, bring your child to school at **first break (11am)**.
- Please do not leave children at school until you confirm that teachers are supervising. The school's phone number is 4787 8253.
- **Please check Compass or P&C Facebook page first!**

### Evacuation Procedures - From school grounds:

1. School is contacted by SES to signal that evacuation is necessary.
2. School calls parents of bus children to ensure there will be supervision for each child when they get off bus. Children will not be put on the bus if parent or nominee cannot be contacted unless being moved to an Evacuation Centre.
3. If you think an evacuation may be imminent, please come and collect your child. **Please do not call the school to see what's happening as we only have two phone lines, and these are required to be available for us to contact parents and emergency services.**
4. After the initial rush is over, remaining children will be brought together. Children can be collected from our school hall area. Please ensure that your child is signed out so we can track every student.
5. Staff will be evacuated if possible. The school will ensure there is adequate supervision for remaining students.
6. Staff will now begin to ring parents of remaining children. Parents have been asked to arrange for students to be collected by a parent or nominated person or to give parental permission for a child to walk home. Permission to walk home will of course, depend on the age and maturity of the child and the weather/fire conditions.

### Please note:

- The canteen will not operate on snow / bushfire days. No lunch orders can be filled on snow / bushfire days.
- The school will stay in contact with SES and Police.