

FALLS ROAD PRIMARY INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

STAND-ALONE BUSHFIRE PLAN FOR 2020-2021



Falls Road Primary Independent Public School

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**In the case of an EMERGENCY
Call 000**

INTRODUCTION

This Stand-alone Bushfire Plan is for Falls Road Primary Independent Public School and has been developed to assist the school, (Principal and staff) prepare for a total fire ban, catastrophic fire danger rating, or a bushfire event. Messages to staff and parents are included in the *Principal's Guide to Bushfire*, as well as notices for the closure of the school.

The preparation of this Stand-alone Bushfire Plan has been developed in accordance with the *Emergency and Critical Incident Management Policy* and the *Principal's Guide to Bushfire* with input from local emergency management agencies.

Falls Road Primary Independent Public School has 335 students and 41 staff. The school is bordered by bush on two sides, north along Burma Road and south, adjacent to Falls Road.

Overview

General Information

This Stand-alone Bushfire Plan will be developed no later than 31 August each year after consultation with:

- families of students attending the school;
- members of the emergency services (for example, local fire brigades, Regional office of Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES);
- Local Government Local Emergency Management Committee and Local Government representatives; and
- other school sites.

This Stand-alone Bushfire Plan includes a checklist of required actions to prepare the school before the bushfire season as per the *Principal's Guide to Bushfire* (refer [Appendix A](#)).

This Stand-alone Bushfire Plan also outlines activities to be undertaken by staff and students at the different levels of a bushfire emergency including:

- on days of Total Fire Ban;
- days deemed Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating;
- when there is a fire in the local district;
- when a bushfire has the potential to, or is actually threatening the school; and
- during the period immediately after a bushfire has impacted on the school (known as the 'Recovery Phase').

The last **Bushfire Risk Assessment and Treatment Plan** was created in 2017. The Assessment date was 8th November 2017. The Report date was the 22nd November 2017 and was approved by the Principal on 4th December 2017. This Report was submitted to District Office / Department of Education and a copy is on file if required.

The **Defendable Asset Protection Zone** (20 metre radius from buildings) is maintained throughout the year, clear of all rubbish, leaf litter, long dry grass, bark and flammable materials.

This was confirmed during a site visit to Falls Road Primary IPS on 25th June 2019 by:
Michael Hall, Senior Fire Mitigation Officer, City of Kalamunda, 0438 328 457 ,
Michael.Hall@kalamunda.wa.gov.au

And

Michael Ward — Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM), City of Kalamunda.
Michael is also the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (CBFCO)

The Library, Art, Music and Pre Primary Wet Area are nominated as the **Safer Building Locations** for the school. These buildings have been deemed suitable and prepared for a bushfire emergency and will accommodate all persons required to be relocated at the school.

Falls Road Primary School incorporates key bushfire messages in their curriculum. Research shows that if students develop and undertake drills as part of the emergency planning, the message is more meaningful and transfers to the home environment. Additional benefits can be realised by taking activities home that need to be completed and returned. This can serve to increase families' level of awareness and preparedness in regard to bushfire survival plans or household preparedness assessments.

Communication Plans (including emergency contacts and a Telephone Call Tree) are in place for evacuation or planned closure. See [Appendix D](#) for a Communication Plan, [Appendix E](#) for Emergency Response Contacts and [Appendix F](#) for a Bushfire Response Telephone Call Tree.

Distribution

The Principal will prepare and update the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan in readiness for the bushfire season and then upload through the Department's SharePoint system. The school will receive a notification when this needs to occur.

The Principal or delegated officer will:

- review (and update where appropriate) the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan on an annual basis;
- publish an up-to-date copy of the school's Stand-alone Bushfire Plan on the school's website no later than 31 August of each year;
- ensure that all new staff members, relieving staff and visitors are briefed about the requirements of the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan during their site induction process;
- include bushfire season reminders and information in newsletters;
- update the School's Parent Booklet in Term 1 each year, including detailed information about actions and procedures included in the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan; and
- provide all staff members with pre-bushfire season updates during Term 3 and ongoing information and instruction about the contents and requirements of the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan during Term 4 and Term 1 staff meetings.

The safety and wellbeing of students, staff and visitors is at all times the Department's main priority. Staff are not expected to fight bushfires.

Any bushfire advice received by the school from Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES), including local DFES regional office, Local fire brigades and Community Emergency Services Manager, Local Government, Local Government Local Emergency Management Committee, or external experts, is documented in the table below, identifying the date and source of the advice.

Date of Review	Reviewing Officer	Date Submitted	Next scheduled Review
2 nd August	David Ingle	16 th August	

COMMUNICATION

There are several levels of communication requirements at school level before, during and after bushfire events.

The Principal in Preparing for Bushfire Season:

- must ensure all students, staff (including relief) and parents are aware of the school's Stand-alone Bushfire Plan. A copy of the school's Stand-alone Bushfire Plan will be published on the school's website and in the school newsletter (see Appendix B6 of the *Principal's Guide to Bushfire*.)
- should establish contact with different members of the local community, including emergency services, DFES, local volunteer fire brigades, Western Australia Police Force, Local Government Local Emergency Management Committee and Community Emergency Services Manager.
- will have an effective working emergency warning or alert system, and emergency communication equipment is available and working and tested at least once before the commencement of the Bushfire Season.
- will have in place systems to account for students, staff and visitors in an emergency, such as class rolls (or equivalent) and visitor registers. Consideration should be in place for situations such as a loss of power affecting the ability to print from electronic sources.
- needs to identify more than one suitable off-site location, in case one site is in the area of the bushfire.
- will have arrangements in place in relation to school buses if appropriate (notification of contractors if pre-emptive closure is invoked; and the availability of buses if off-site evacuation is required).

The Principal in the event of Pre-emptive Closure:

- will contact the Department's Incident Controller (normally the Deputy Director General, Public Schools or delegated officer) who will make the decision to close a school based on advice from emergency services and this will be relayed to the Principal via the Regional Executive Director.
- will notify staff and parents of closure using emergency contacts and the Telephone Call Tree. (Appendix B7 of the *Principal's Guide to Bushfire*) advising of pre-emptive closure, being mindful of parents' level of literacy and understanding of English)
- will ensure all other necessary parties are advised, including, but not limited to, other schools that may have siblings at the school, community users of the school facilities (including before and after school care, or holiday programs, community kindergartens, on site contractors, Parents and Citizens Association and/or school council).
- will, if appropriate, contact bus contractors to arrange for the evacuation of students to a designated area.
- will post the Notice of Planned Temporary School Closure as per the *Principal's Guide to Bushfire*, both physically at the school and electronically on the website.

The Principal (during Evacuation):

- will contact the Regional Executive Director and the Department's Media Unit.
- will contact parents via phone or email, ensuring they have a mobile phone contact number for the school. It would be preferable that parents restrict calling the school at this time to emergency calls only.
- will notify bus contractors and other users of the school site.

NOTE: DFES uses the national Emergency Alert system to send community warning messages via mobile telephones in affected areas. It is important not to rely on receiving an alert. The school must still be prepared and have an action plan in case of an emergency.

It is important to remember that the Emergency Alert is just one way of receiving information during an emergency. Other ways the school can stay informed include:

- visiting the Emergency WA website www.emergency.wa.gov.au
- calling the DFES information line on 13 DFES (133337).
- listening to ABC radio, 6PR and other media news bulletins.
- following DFES on Twitter at www.twitter.com/dfes_wa

For more information on Emergency Alert, visit: www.emergencyalert.gov.au

The Principal communicates directly with Regional and Central Office personnel including any media communications. Staff should not comment directly to the media.

The Principal (Reopening the School):

- will liaise with the Regional Executive Director when the school can re-open.
- will inform Parents when the school is re-opened. In the event of a pre-emptive closure details are contained in the messages (*Principal's Guide to Bushfire* advising of pre-emptive Closure – Appendix B7).
- will physically remove the *Notice of Planned Temporary School Closure* from the school premises and website.
- will advise all parties that were advised of closure (for example, bus contractors, Out of Hours users, community kindergartens, Parents and Citizens Association and/or school council) of the reopening.

TYPES OF FIRE EVENT

In the event of a Total Fire Ban, catastrophic weather warning or a bushfire, the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan will be activated.

1. Total Fire Ban

In the event of a Total Fire Ban, the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan will be invoked (refer to *Principal's Guide to Bushfire* for all procedures). This means:

- no fires must be lit or used in the open air;
- all open fires for the purpose of cooking or camping are not allowed; and
- 'hot work' such as metal work, grinding, welding, soldering, gas cutting or similar is not allowed.

DFES advise that chainsaws, plant or grass trimmers or lawn mowers can be used during a Total Fire Ban in suburban or built up areas which are cleared of flammable material, but not in bushland or other areas where their use may cause a fire.

It is also necessary to ensure:

- the equipment or machinery is mechanically sound; and
- all reasonable precautions are taken to prevent a bushfire starting.

It is recommended postponing the activity altogether to minimise the risk of fire

Unless a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban has been implemented by the Local Government Authority, the school/college is able to harvest or move vehicles across paddocks for agricultural purposes. However, there may be local government authority requirements such as compliant fire-fighting equipment on hand and a required amount of water readily available for fire-fighting purposes.

Individuals could be fined up to \$25 000 or jailed for 12 months (or both) if the Total Fire Ban is ignored.

For information on activities that can or cannot be carried out during a Total Fire Ban visit

<https://www.emergency.wa.gov.au/#totalfirebans>.

https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/BushfireFactsheets/DFES_BushfireFactsheet-Total_Fire_Bans.pdf.

If the information required is not available from the website, telephone the Total Fire Ban Information Line 1800 709 355.







This information is also available by visiting www.dfes.wa.gov.au and;Emergency WA website: www.emergency.wa.gov.au.

2. Catastrophic Fire Danger

The Catastrophic Fire Danger Index (FDR) has been added to the Australia-wide FDR system since the 2009 bushfires in Victoria. If a fire starts in catastrophic conditions, its impact potential includes death or injury to people and destruction of buildings.

Schools need to know what the Fire Danger Rating is for the area, and monitor local conditions and keep informed. Understanding the Fire Danger Rating categories and what they mean will help in making decisions about what to do if a bushfire starts.

The Fire Danger Rating is based on the forecast weather conditions and provides advice about the level of bushfire threat on a particular day.

Category	Fire Danger Index (FDR)	Action
 Catastrophic	100+	Schools on Bushfire Zone Register closed on instruction from Deputy Director General, Public Schools, through Regional Executive Director. School to invoke Communication Plan and cancel bus services. Appendix B (refer to the <i>Principal's Guide to Bushfire</i> for all procedures and sample messages).
 Extreme	75-99	Monitor Emergency WA & DFES websites Normal school operations <i>(any fire that starts is likely to be so fierce that even a well prepared and well-constructed school may not survive a fire).</i>
 Severe	50-74	Monitor Emergency WA & DFES website Normal school operations <i>(The threat of a bushfire increases)</i>
 Very High	32-49	Monitor Emergency WA & DFES website Normal school operations <i>(The threat of a bushfire increases)</i>
 High	12-31	Normal school operations <i>(The threat of a bushfire increases)</i>
 Low/Moderate	0-11	Normal school operations

Guidance notes:

At each rating the fire behaviour and potential impact will be different.

Check the FDR for the area by visiting the following links:

<https://www.emergency.wa.gov.au/#firedangerratings>

Further information can be obtained at:

<https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/pages/firedangerratings.aspx>

2.1 Planned Pre-emptive Closure

Regional Executive Directors will contact principals of affected schools directly when a planned (pre-emptive) closure is to be invoked in a particular part of the State. The lead time for a planned closure varies depending on weather patterns, but every attempt is made to give principals as much notice as possible to prepare written documentation for parents. Schools should have Telephone Call Tree in place to provide this information at short notice or after hours.

Once advised of a pre-emptive closure, the school must inform the community that a closure is imminent. The Principal needs to send messages to parents and inform staff members when the closure is planned to occur and that the school is on standby. It may be that between declaration of the closure and the day of closure, weather conditions improve sufficiently to remove the need to close and the school can therefore stand down its Pre-emptive Closure Plans.

The Regional Executive Director will confirm with the Principal the final decision to close the school no later than **4:30 pm** the day before the planned closure. If weather conditions become less severe after **4:30 pm**, the closure goes ahead regardless in order to provide a level of certainty to parents.

DFES is the final authority on advice about which schools are in danger and the level of risk at the time. The Deputy Director General, Public Schools makes the final decision as to whether or not a planned closure of public schools is to proceed based on DFES's advice.

2.2 During a Planned Closure

In order to make informed decisions, the Principal must stay informed of the current fire danger rating and any fire activity by monitoring a range of information sources

Schools can stay informed by monitoring the following official sources:

- visiting the Emergency WA website www.emergency.wa.gov.au
- calling the DFES information line on 13 DFES (133337).
- listening to ABC radio, 6PR and other media news bulletins
- following DFES on Twitter at www.twitter.com/dfes_wa

2.3 Re-opening School

Parents need to know when the Catastrophic FDR has been downgraded and that it is therefore safe for their children to return to school after a planned closure. The sample messages to parents contains advice on how parents can monitor the situation. The school will need to put communication plans in place, such as placing a notice on the school website and providing a phone number for parents to call for information about the reopening of the school. Consideration needs to be given to how parents who do not have internet access or who have diverse needs (for example, multicultural, special needs) will be provided with information.

3. Bushfire

In the event of a bushfire threatening the school, the school will call 000. The Stand-alone Bushfire Plan will be invoked by way of the school siren (or hand-held siren).

3.1. Bushfire – Warnings

During a bushfire, emergency services provide as much information as possible through a number of different channels.

If the school is likely to be threatened by the fire, activate the *Emergency and Critical Incident Management Plan* immediately.

Before a bushfire starts, Fire Danger Ratings can provide advice about the level of bushfire threat on a particular day and how difficult and dangerous conditions will be if a fire starts. They are based on weather conditions forecast by the Bureau of Meteorology.

During a bushfire, DFES and the Parks and Wildlife (P and W) Service of the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions issue community alerts and warnings for bushfires that threaten lives and property. They are only issued once firefighters have arrived at the scene and determined that there is a threat or potential threat to the community.

The alert level changes to reflect the increasing risk to life.

DFES and Parks and Wildlife (P and W) Service of the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions will issue the following four bushfire warnings.

3.1.1



means a fire has started but there is no known danger. This is general information to keep you informed and up to date with developments.

Turn on evaporative air conditioners and ensure roof vents are closed. Undertake regular checks and patrols of the school for bushfire activity, paying special attention to the evaporative air conditioners.

3.1.2



means there is a possible threat to lives and property. Conditions are changing, you need to leave the area or prepare to move students, staff and visitors to their pre-determined Safer Building Location and not an open area on the site or evacuate.

If an order to evacuate is directed by the Incident Controller, the evacuation order will be relayed via a variety of official sources such as the DFES website and Emergency WA website. It is paramount that schools gather information pertaining to fires from official sources in order to make an informed decision on whether to stay on-site or evacuate off-site.

3.1.3



means you are in danger as your area will be impacted by fire. You need to take immediate action to survive.

You will be advised whether you can leave the area or if you must shelter where you are as the fire burns through your area. An emergency warning may be supported with a siren sound called the Standard Emergency Warning Signal (SEWS). These factors should be reviewed on a regular basis as they may change at any time and without notice.

If an order to evacuate is directed by the Incident Controller, the evacuation order will be relayed via a variety of communications methods including the [Bushfire Warning system](#).

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3.1.4



means the danger has passed and the fire is under control, but you need to remain vigilant in case the situation changes. It may still not be safe to return to school.

Further information in relation to Bushfire Warning System is available on the DFES Website and a video is available at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a_H0D-38AGQ&feature=youtu.be

3.2. Bushfire – Act

3.2.1 Response when a bushfire starts and the school is open

3.2.1.1 Evacuation Procedure

School to evacuate off-site on advice from DFES

- All classes remain with their teachers and support staff.
- All other staff and visitors report to the administration building.
- Teachers account for each child and identify students and support staff with known respiratory conditions.
- Doors, roof vents and windows must be closed **and evaporative air coolers turned off**.
- Students and staff are to remain in classrooms unless directed otherwise by the fire warden.
- Fire wardens are designated to manage evacuation routes and liaise with staff.
- The Principal and fire wardens will control the response and must liaise with DFES or emergency services as soon as possible.
- Students and adults with known respiratory conditions will be identified and given special consideration.

Staging Area – identify and utilise an area where occupants and visitors are intended to gather in preparation for an evacuation.

Parent Access

Schools must have clear communication methods with parents. Parents must be advised **NOT** to pick up students and to monitor official communication channels for specific access information. Appendix D and Appendix E Communication Plan and Emergency Response Contact List must be completed with local content to ensure the school's individual communication requirements are detailed and used.

3.2.1.2 Safer Building Location Procedure – if evacuation is not possible

- All classes remain with their teachers and support staff until otherwise advised by Principal or delegated staff.
- School move to Safer Building Location ([Appendix C](#)) if the Principal cannot ascertain impact of a bushfire to school or on advice from DFES.
- Doors, roof vents and windows must be closed and **evaporative air coolers turned off**.
- Principal or delegated staff to monitor official communication channels to enable informed decisions to be made.
- All classes to remain within the designated Safer Building Location. See [Appendix C](#) for a safer location evacuation diagram.
- All other staff and visitors report to the administration building, before directed to the Safer Building Location.
- Teachers account for each child and identify students and support staff with known respiratory conditions.
- Fire wardens are designated to manage evacuation routes and liaise with staff.
- The Principal and fire wardens will control this response and must liaise with DFES or emergency services as soon as possible.
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3.2.2 Response when a bushfire starts and the school is closed

If the Department's Incident Controller makes a decision on school closure-based advice from emergency services, the Regional Executive Director will inform the Principal of closure.

The Principal is to notify staff and parents of the closure using the Emergency Response Contact List (see [Appendix D](#) for a Communication Plan).

The Department's Incident Controller will, in consultation with the Regional Executive Director, identify alternative accommodation of students and staff, if required. The Department's Media Unit will use media outlets to make public announcements of school closures, temporary alternative accommodation and contact number(s) for further information.

The Department's Incident Controller (in consultation with DFES) will inform the Regional Executive Director when the school can reopen, who will inform the Principal accordingly.

3.2.3 Recovery

The priorities for the school during recovery are:

- Health and safety of individuals;
- Social recovery; and
- Physical (structural) recovery.

General

- When possible, return to normal routine as soon as possible.
- Attend to staff and student welfare, considering counselling support.
- Provide information for families and the community of any impact (including if there is none) on the school and school routine following the bushfire.
- Undertake a check of any equipment or stock used and arrange for replacement/replenishment.
- Address any physical damage to the school, isolating areas if required and, if necessary, relocate to alternative accommodation. Contact the Department of Finance's Building

Management and Works to commence repairs. The Department should be advised of any damage caused by the bushfire.

- Attend to security if necessary (Contact Manager, Security and Emergency Management at Central Office on 9264 4825).
- Manage administrative details including insurance.


Debrief

- What worked, what didn't?
- Was anything overlooked?
- What could be done better next time?
- Should any delegation be reassigned?
- If changes are made, incorporate them into the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan and advise the appropriate parties including staff and other authorities.
- Share the knowledge with other schools.
- Test the revised Stand-alone Bushfire Plan and procedures.

For further details and contacts refer to the Recovery Section of the *Emergency and Critical Incident Management Plan* and the *Principal's Guide to Bushfire*

APPENDICES

Appendix A: COMPLIANCE: Bushfire Preparation Checklist

 <p>Department of Education</p>	<p>Bushfire Preparation Checklist for the Bushfire season</p>
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Principals are responsible to ensure this checklist is completed annually and should be thoroughly familiar with their current plans for dealing with bushfires.

All staff members should be aware of their responsibilities in accordance with the Stand-alone Bushfire Plan

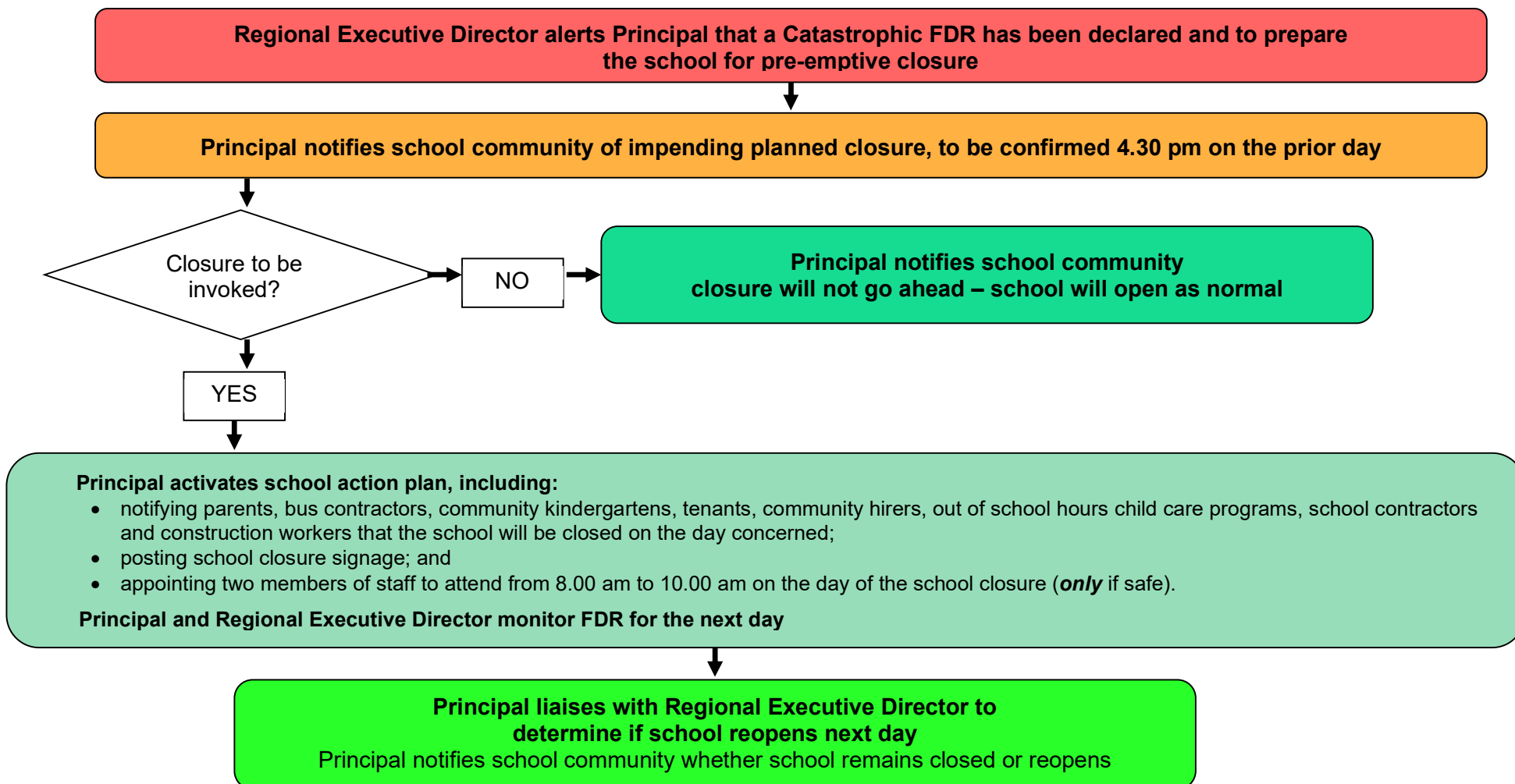
MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES		
Tick when task has been completed, or write NA if not applicable(<input type="checkbox"/>)		Evidence
Has the school checked the Bushfire Zone Register on Ikon and downloaded the latest Stand-alone Bushfire Plan.	✓	<i>Date</i> 24/07/19
Principal is thoroughly familiar with the school's Stand-alone Bushfire Plan.	✓	<i>Plan reviewed</i> 02/08/19
Students, staff, relief staff and parents/carers have been made aware of the School's Stand-alone Bushfire Plan.	✓	<i>Staff meeting</i> 22/07/19 and <i>previous</i> <i>newsletters sent</i> <i>to parents/carers</i> <i>with bushfire</i> <i>information. Next</i> <i>one is 18/09/19</i>
The Stand-alone Bushfire Plan has been reviewed prior to the bushfire season (31 August each year) and a copy uploaded to the electronic portal and on the school's website.	✓	16/08/19
The Principal or delegated staff establish contact with local emergency services, DFES, the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions – Parks and Wildlife Services (if relevant), the local volunteer fire brigade, WA Police, Local Government Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC), local government representative or Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM) (if there is one for the area), and incorporated their feedback into the plans (as required).	✓	<i>Michael Hall</i> <i>Michael Ward</i> <i>Cecil Wells</i>
Local Emergency services, (outlined above), are informed of the schools nominated pre-determined Safer Building Location (not an open area) as part of the Emergency Critical Incident Management Plan procedures.	✓	Meeting at the School on 25 th June 2019
Schools on the Bushfire Zone Register understand the bushfire warning system and the Emergency Alert telephone warning system	✓	Included a copy in the Newsletter Sent a test SMS to all parents
Schools on the Bushfire Zone Register have incorporated key bushfire messages in the curriculum.	✓	Staff advised again at Staff Meeting 22. 7. 19 on requirement to include this information in lesson / s

MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES		
Tick when task has been completed, or write NA if not applicable(□)		Evidence
Schools know how to turn off evaporative air conditioner units, including awareness of the location of the switches, and how to close roof vents.	✓	Teachers know where the switches are and have practised turning off the fans
Communication plans (include Telephone Call Tree – see Appendix E) are in place for directed evacuation or planned closure	✓	Sent a test SMS to all parents
Evacuation drills practised prior to the start of the bushfire season and at least once per term during the bushfire season. The bushfire season typically runs from late August to April in southern WA and June to late October in northern WA. Note: a minimum of three drills per year.		Next practices are on 6 th September and 20 th November
School has a correctly functioning emergency warning or alert system.	✓	Siren Loudhailer
Emergency communications equipment is available e.g. mobile telephones, hand-operated fire alarm (portable siren), portable radios and spare batteries.	✓	Mobiles Portable Radios and spare batteries
Class rolls and visitor register (or equivalent) are readily accessible in an emergency to account for students, staff and visitors.	✓	Office has copies
First aid equipment is available and staff members trained in first aid have been identified.	✓	Fire Blankets First Aid Kits Staff register - First Aid
Evacuation kit should be checked at least once per term.	✓	
Arrangements are in place in relation to school buses (notification of contractors if pre-emptive closure is invoked; availability of buses if off-site evacuation is required)	✓	Roy from Lesmurdie Buses are available
Procedures are in place to restrict use of machinery (e.g. angle grinders, mowers, and machinery with internal combustion engines) in close proximity to bushfire fuels where they may start a fire on severe Fire Danger Days.	✓	Gardener is aware of requirement
A Safer Building Location from within the school buildings has been identified. The Safer Building Location is not an open area and the school has processes in place to ensure the building is ready for use in a bushfire emergency. The Safer Building Location is to be used when it is the safest option or in the event that an off-site evacuation is not possible (Refer page 5 of <i>The Principal's Guide to Bushfire</i>). The school's Safer Building Locations are:	✓	Safer Buildings Locations are the Library, Music Room & Art Room
More than one suitable off-site location needs to be identified in case one of the sites is under threat from the bushfire.	✓	Ray Owen, Kostera, Hartfield or Scott Reserve, High Wycombe Community Centres depending on the direction of the fire.
Defendable Asset Protection Zone (20 metre radius from buildings) is maintained throughout the year, clear of all rubbish, leaf litter, long dry grass, bark and flammable materials.	✓	Confirmed by Michael Ward - Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM) he is also the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (CBFCO) & Michael Hall Senior Fire Mitigation Officer on site visit to Falls Road Primary IPS on 25 th June 2019

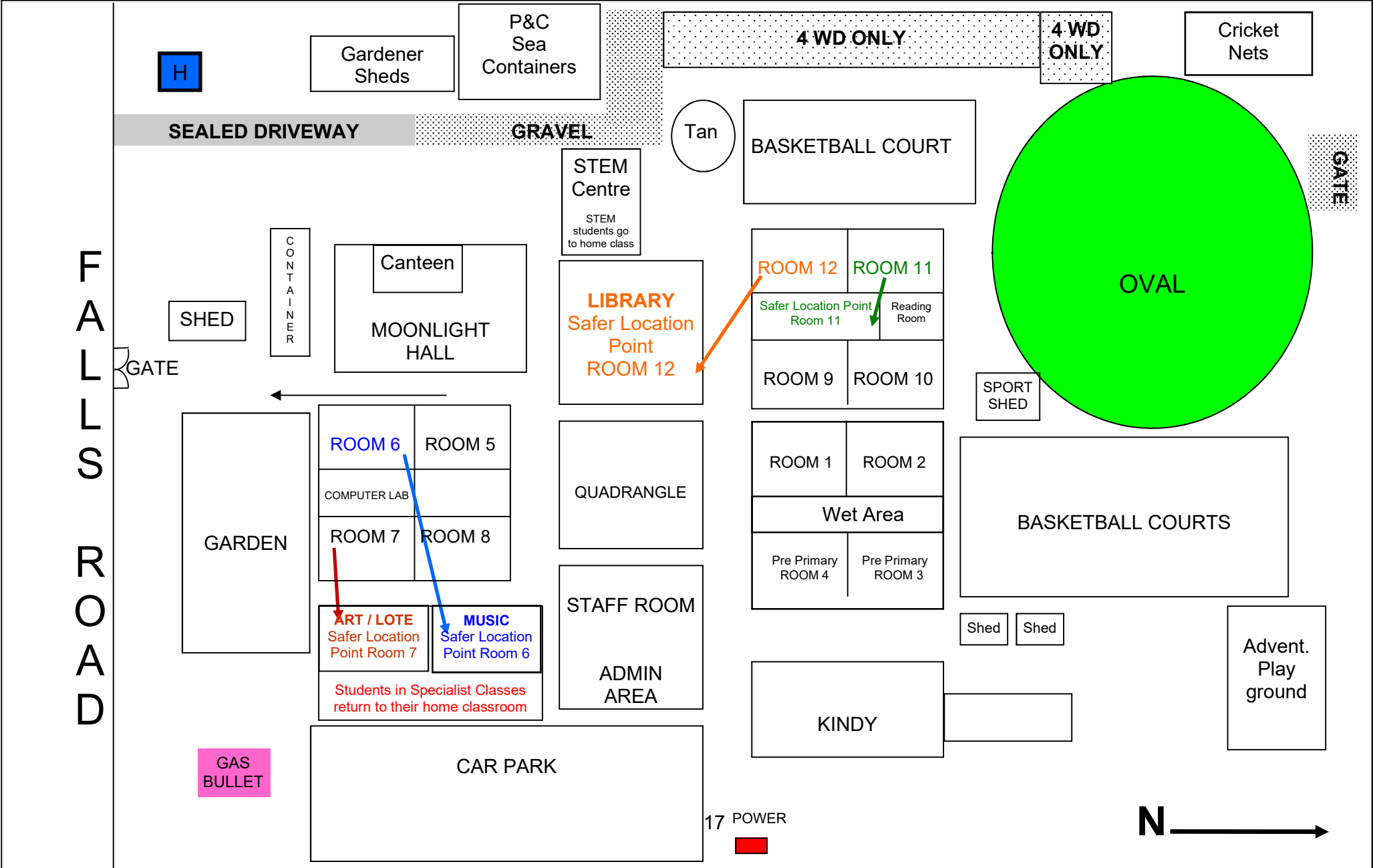
Appendix B: Catastrophic Event Flow Chart

In the event of a catastrophic weather warning the **Bushfire Plan** will be invoked as per the following flow chart: (refer to *The Principal's Guide to Bushfire* for all procedures and sample letters)

PRINCIPAL'S RESPONSE TO Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating (FDR)



FALLS ROAD PRIMARY - Fire Safer Location Points - Fire from the West

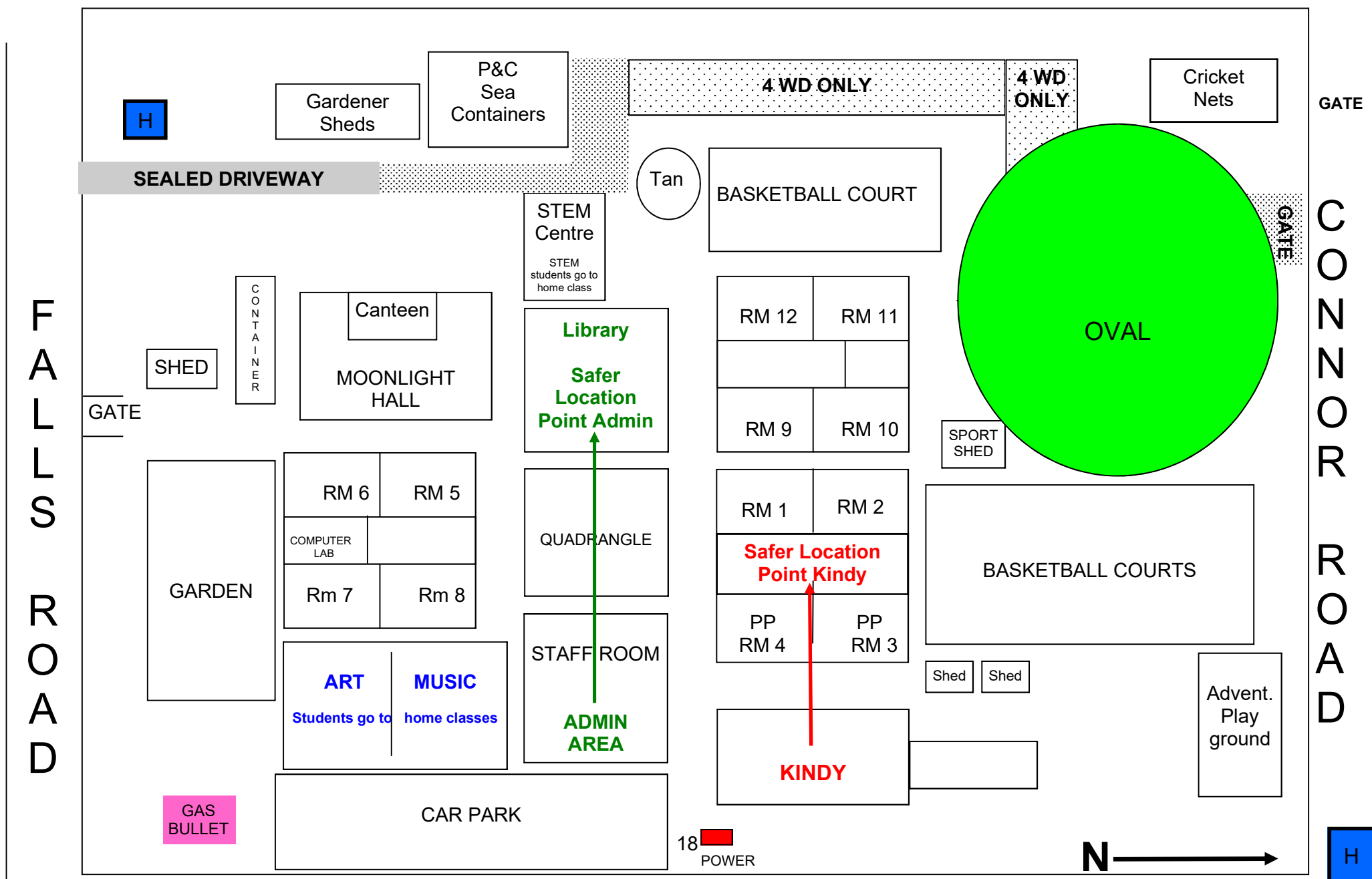


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FALLS ROAD

BURMA ROAD

FALLS ROAD PRIMARY - Fire Relocation Points - Fire from the East



Appendix D: Communication Plan

Communication Plan

Principals Response to Bushfire when School open

IMPORTANT OFFICIAL INFORMATION SOURCE:

EMERGENCY WA:

<https://www.emergency.wa.gov.au/>

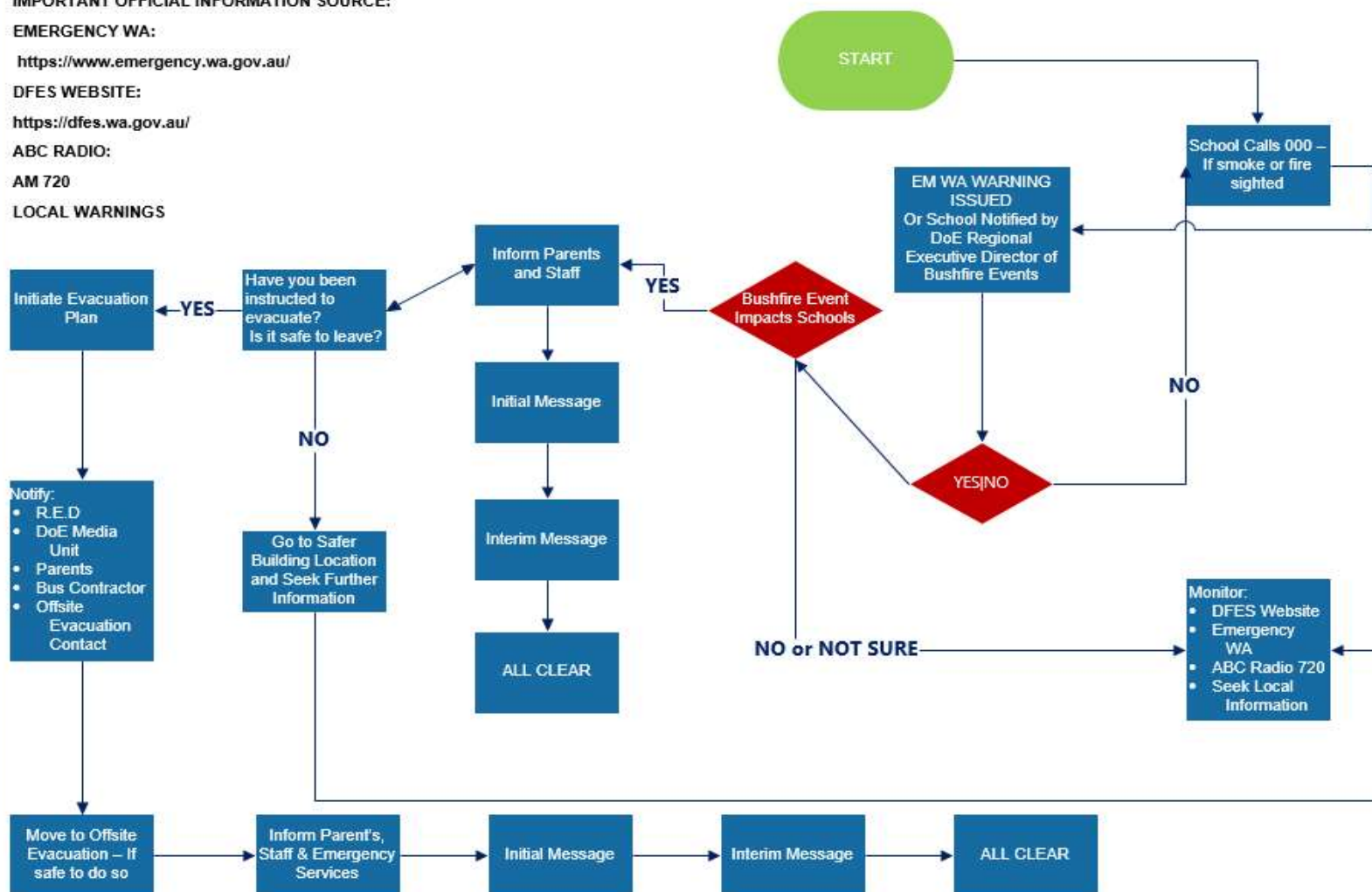
DFES WEBSITE:

<https://dfes.wa.gov.au/>

ABC RADIO:

AM 720

LOCAL WARNINGS



Appendix E: Emergency Response Contact List

 Assess
  Evacuate
  Inform
  Organise
  Undertake

EMERGENCY CONTACT & PHONE NUMBERS		ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES	
Police	Local: 9359 1033 131 444	Evacuation: Invacuation: I	Principal Principa
Ambulance / Hospital Local Ambulance	Local: 9334 1222 Two-way channel (if appropriate)	Checking Rooms	Manager Corporate Services /Principal
Fire	Welshpool Fire Station: 6454 8610 UHF (if appropriate) Community Emergency Services Manager (or suitable local contact) Michael Ward 0419 866 544	Evacuation: on-site assembly point when safe to evacuate off-site Invacuation: classrooms	Teachers Teachers
Bus Contractors	Name: Lesmurdie Bus 0408 197 258 Name: Paul's Bus 0417 188 434		
Power Outage (Horizon Power or Western Power)	131 351	Accredited First Aid Officers	Staff member Name(s)
State Emergency Service	132 500	Communication	Principal /Manager Corporate Services
Poisons Information	131 126	Next of Kin Notification	Principal (Police if death)
REGIONAL DIRECTOR Sue Cuneo	mobile: 0422 122 809	Reporting and Review	Principal
PRINCIPAL	David Ingle		Home: 9272 5714 Mobile: 0408 955 470
MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES	Brenda Martin		Mobile: 0477 711 477

Site Specific Alert:

3 rings of the School Siren
 or
 Continuous Hooter
 or
 Continuous Handbell
 or
 Sets of 3 Localised Whistle Blasts

**In the case of an EMERGENCY
Call 000**

Appendix F: Bushfire Response Telephone Tree

