

Moama Anglican
Grammar Code Red or
Catastrophic Fire
Danger Day Policy

As a School located on the border of Victoria and
NSW, Moama Anglican Grammar has developed a
Code Red and Catastrophic Fire Danger Day Policy
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A fire danger rating of "Catastrophic" in NSW is similar to the Victorian Code Red Fire Day.

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<p>What happens if the forecast changes?</p>	<p>If the Bureau of Meteorology downgrades the risk forecast in the days leading up to a planned closure, the closure may be cancelled and the school will remain open. The final decision to close the School will be confirmed no later than 1.00pm the day before the planned closure. Once the decision to close has been confirmed, there will be no change – regardless of improvements to the weather conditions the following afternoon or overnight. This will help limit confusion and provide time for parents and guardians to make alternative care arrangements for their children.</p>
<p>What should my school age child do if School is closed?</p>	<p>Families are encouraged to ensure that their bushfire survival plans include alternative care arrangements for children in the event of a planned closure. Given the expected severity of weather conditions, children should not be left unattended or under the supervision of children.</p>
<p>On average, how many days may the Grammar be likely to close due to Code Red days?</p>	<p>The exact number of days cannot be predicted; however, it should be noted that these days are very rare. A Code Red day was declared in November 2019, which was the first time since 2010.</p>
<p>When Moama Anglican Grammar is closed, will any staff rely</p>	

<p>Can I keep my child away if I'm concerned about the risk of fires – even if the School is open?</p>	<p>Yes. If your family decides to enact its bushfire survival plan, the most appropriate place for your child may be with you and your family, and not at school. Please advise the School as soon as possible of your child's absence.</p>
<p>My child travels by bus to school. Will bus routes be closed on Code Red days?</p>	<p>Similar to facilities that pre-emptively close on determined Code Red days, bus routes servicing these schools will also be closed on Code Red days. Bus routes from schools not on the Victorian Department's Bushfire At-Risk list</p>

What else can I do?

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<p>Useful contact Numbers and Websites</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For all emergencies - call 000 • Moama Anglican Grammar (03) 5480 5900 • Murray River Council Local Area Emergency Coordinator – Scott Barber 0428 245 485 • Storms, floods and tsunamis <u>NSW State Emergency Services</u> 132 500 • Bush fire related incidents <u>NSW Rural Fire Service</u> call 1800 NSW RFS (1800 679 737) • https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/resources/factsheets • https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/resources/Burg
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