

# **BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT POLICY**

## **Mitcam Primary School**

### **Rationale:**

Whilst Mitcam Primary School is not considered to be in a bushfire risk zone, the effective and efficient management of bushfire emergency incidents is critical to the safety and wellbeing of students, staff and school visitors, as well as, essential in minimising damage to school property.

### **Aims:**

To provide a safe environment for all, should a bushfire occur that affects our school.

### **Implementation:**

The threat of a bushfire is covered in our current emergency management plan, which clearly describes how the school will respond during an emergency to ensure ongoing safety of staff, students and visitors.

Gutters will be cleaned regularly.

Trees are audited regularly and any recommendations actioned promptly.

Bi-annual checks of fire equipment conducted.

Ensure all materials that may easily be ignited are kept secure.

Any flammable materials are stored appropriately and clearly labelled.

Should any travel to bushfire prone areas occur during camps, excursions or outdoor adventure activities, the management of a bushfire threat will be addressed in the risk management documentation.

### **Evaluation:**

This policy was last updated in June 2021 and is scheduled to be reviewed in 2023.

This policy was ratified by the School Council on: 8/6/2021