

Why get kids involved in the family bushfire plan



Feedback Survey

Q9 - Please provide details of the most informative parts of the webinar

- 1 Jane's contribution
- 2 The guest speakers were excellent and good at sharing their knowledge of children.
- 3 I really loved the information about starting with curious questions to gauge where my child is at. My son has high functioning ASD and I always worried about what to tell him. Now I understand to let him tell me what he needs to know. I also valued the thought to keep attachment at the forefront, if I keep reminding him throughout that we do any of this as a family, I think he will feel safe while talking about such a worrying subject. This stuff is probably really basic info that I should just know but hearing like this just makes sense.
- 4 I think this whole session was informative. We underestimate what involvement children in households have when it comes to preparing for emergencies, not just bushfire but any high stress situations. I like how children were given the opportunity to learn CPR.
- 5 How to have conversations with kids about a bushfire plan
- 6 Some of the suggestions by Rob Gordon and the Prof from ANU.
- 7 Although we are older and the children have all moved on, the insights from the webinar were excellent for understanding the best ways to involve, help and work with the grandchildren, because we live in a bushfire prone area. The plan needs to involve the grandchildren who may be staying with us.
- 8 Not having children in the household a lot was not relevant but the message of involvement and respect of other opinions was important.
- 9 The emotional aspect in the children according to how the parents presented themselves in crisis. How important preparation is, it really is!
- 10 Discussion regarding the understanding of children to disaster planning.
- 11 Including children in the bushfire plan helps them to confront their fears. Research shows their safety is undermined when they're not part of the plan.
- 12 First two speakers were excellent in addressing their topic & specific info. Good basis for following presenters & topics.
- 13 All useful and informative and essential viewing for families in bushfire prone areas.
- 14 Getting kids involved in the family bushfire plan is beneficial for the child and the family. Kids make a valuable contribution.
- 15 The formal presentations were great and the input of Jane Haywood was excellent.
- 16 Felt that the participants really were excellent when it came to the Q and A section.

- 17 Realize the effect traumas have on children and how they are effected and talking and planning before the event is most important.
- 18 Although not directly relevant to our situation as our children have all left home it was interesting how children are able to learn and take responsibility for situations.
- 19 Seeing scenarios from a child's perspective is thought provoking.
- 20 The whole webinar was important and reinforced the teachings that we impart as community educators in the emergency field. It also put more insight and gave a better understanding of the reasons why we do it.
- 21 The importance of involving children, even very young, in preparing a bushfire plan and making them responsible for carrying out some part of it.
- 22 First two presentation (Michelle & Briony) we're informative & to the point & laid a foundation for the remaining discussions.
- 23 The whole session was extremely valuable. I live in an extreme bushfire area and have always had an active bushfire plan what is incorporated into the life of both myself, my husband and my children. We move our office on high risk days. We all participated in every aspect of the plan. We are also all firefighters and my husband and I are community educators for bushfire planning, preparation, planning, prevention and recovery, both voluntarily and as Community liaison bushfire engagement facilitators with CFA.
- 24 Presentation by Briony.
- 25 Practical strategies for involving children in developing and practising our plan.
- 26 The technical discussion was good, but the panel discussion was where I found out most of the detail.
- 27 The expertise of every presenter was unbelievable.
- 28 The information provided by Briony was excellent.
- 29 Kids are smarter than you think. Give them more credit.
- 30 Presenters well chosen for the topic and their research and experience succinctly provided. Although children don't form part of my household it's always worth learning about what works in families and schools and being able to call on that knowledge if needed in a situation.
- 31 Understanding that children are able to be involved in major decisions and actions that are appropriate to their development without compromising their well being.