EXTREME WEATHER POLICY

On days when extreme weather conditions are highly likely to exist, a decision will be made as to whether the College will be operational. Before making the decision, certain factors will be taken into consideration, including:

- Whether the day is identified as a Total Fire Ban day in the Central Region, and/or
- There are active fires in the district, or
- When the Bureau of Meteorology predicts snowfalls below 800 metres.

College excursions that happen to fall on days of extreme weather will be reviewed where practicable, based on the above criteria.

If the decision is made to close the College, whenever possible a notice will be given to students before they leave the College, informing their parents of the decision. However, this may not always be possible, particularly if conditions change late in the day.

Therefore, when the CFA declares a total Fire Ban day in the Central Region on a school day or Bureau of Meteorology predicts snowfalls below 800 metres, parents, students and staff should visit the College’s website www.braemar.vic.edu.au. The homepage will be regularly updated regarding the College opening hours. Alternatively, parents should telephone the College’s information line for details: 0418 570 095.

Please be aware that news networks (i.e. television and radio) can be inaccurate when they report a Total Fire Ban day. Parents are encouraged to visit the Country Fire Authority’s website to confirm that a Total Fire Ban has been declared for the Central Region: www.cfa.vic.gov.au

If the College is closed due to extreme weather, students should access their College email for messages from teaching staff about alternative learning activities which may have been set.