The CFA Survive and Thrive Program was successful in Changing Children’s Understanding of the reality of living in a bushfire environment.

Q. What would you do if there was a bushfire? (At School)

**Time 1**
- Run Run and Run home & warn people
- Run
- Run away with friends to the beach
- Run with friends back to my house, grab stuff & go to beach
- Run to the CFA, run to the beach, run to the river
- Run even more to alcoa

**Time 2**
- Plan
  - Keep Calm
  - Prepare
- Act
  - Cooperate
- Listen to the teachers
- Listen to teacher’s instructions
- Listen
- Listen
  - Listen to instructions
  - Go to the teachers
- Follow
  - Follow the Fire Plan
  - Follow instructions from the teachers

Shift from seeing adults as holders of bushfire safety knowledge to recognition the children now share some of that knowledge.

Children recognised the need for different safety behaviours in different contexts.

Children understood the emotional impact of a danger situation and their own capacity to manage their emotions.

Children’s reports of their actual responses to the threat of a real bushfire demonstrated they used their new knowledge and skills.