

Incident Control Centre Hazelwood

Media alert

Choppers drop in to visit Morwell primary students

What: Three water-bombing helicopters will land in front of hundreds of Morwell primary school students on Friday as part of the fire services' school engagement program. The students, who have been relocated during the Hazelwood mine fire, will have the chance to thank some of the local and interstate firefighters. A ladder platform fire truck and pumper will also be on show.

Media will also be given an update of the fire situation at the Hazelwood open cut mine.

Who: Deputy Premier Peter Ryan, Fire Services Commissioner Craig Lapsley, Incident Controller Bob Barry, firefighters and students from Sacred Heart Primary School and Commercial Road Primary School.

When: Friday 21 March
9:15am Two firebirds and a Sikorsky chopper touch down in the reserve (*media wanting to film them landing with students watching on should arrive a little earlier to set up*)
9:20am press conference
10:30am event concludes

Where: Morwell football oval at Ronald Reserve (access via Vary Street, Morwell)

Note: the event is subject to weather conditions

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