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NEXT GENERATION OF TRIPLE ZERO HEROES

Young students across NSW will be better prepared to respond to emergency situations with the launch of the Triple Zero Classroom Challenge.

Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience and Minister for Flood Recovery Steph Cooke said the digital, interactive game classroom presentation is aligned to the curriculum for students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2.

"Children as young as four years old will use this new tool to learn the essential knowledge and skills of when and how to call Triple Zero," Ms Cooke said.

"This informative new program ensures our students have the opportunity to learn about Triple Zero from a young age, and can become confident and responsible users of the emergency hotline should the unexpected happen.

"Developing the Triple Zero Classroom Challenge has been a labour of love for our NSW Rural Fire Service and Fire and Rescue NSW personnel, and it's really exciting to see it rolled out to classrooms across the State."

Minister for Education and Early Learning Sarah Mitchell said Glenorie Public School is one of the first schools in NSW to introduce the Triple Zero Classroom Challenge.

"While the learning activities deal with the serious issues of medical, fire and crime emergencies, they have been designed to be as fun and engaging as possible for our young students," Mrs Mitchell said.

"It's critical that we teach this important information to the next generation from a young age because they may find themselves in a situation where they'll need to know what to do and who to call."

The Triple Zero Classroom Challenge is a collaboration between the NSW Rural Fire Service and Fire and Rescue NSW on behalf of the Triple Zero Awareness Working Group.

For more information visit: <u>www.000classroom.com</u>.

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