

media release

SA Metropolitan Fire Service



Roll up, Roll up! It's Showtime with the MFS!

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The Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS) will combine exciting new activities with ever popular old favourites at its award winning stand at this year's Royal Adelaide Show.

All visitors to the stand, adults and children alike will be able to engage with MFS firefighters and community educators in a fun and interactive manner, all the while learning fire and life safety.

MFS Acting Assistant Chief Fire Officer of Community Safety and Resilience, Greg Howard said the MFS stand is a long-running family favourite at the Royal Adelaide Show with parents and children returning each year.

"This year we have introduced two fantastic new activities. For those who have never actually used a fire extinguisher, an invitation is extended to take the challenge and see how quickly they can put a fire down using a laser fire extinguisher.

"Visitors to the stand will be encouraged to share their MFS stand experience by taking a selfie in the new red fire truck selfie frame and using the [@SA_MFS](#) Twitter handle and [#AdelShow](#) hashtag!" he said.

Learning home fire safety through family fun is a key feature of the MFS stand at the show, including how to escape a house fire through a life-saving educational walk down 'Livelonga Lane'.

"Adults might consider that home fire and life safety is purely an adult's responsibility, however children must be central to a Home Fire Escape Plan.

"Children should be included in the creating and practising of a Home Fire Escape Plan – and know what to do if they notice a fire and when a smoke alarm sounds," MFS Commander Howard said.

Of course, the stand wouldn't be the same without kids competing to become the fastest at 'Stop, cover, drop and roll' each day - the fun game teaching children what to do if their clothing catches fire to prevent or minimise burn injuries.

In excess of 12,000 children and adults visit the very popular MFS stand each year, which is located in the Jubilee Pavilion.

All activities at the stand are free, including competitions for adults and children with fantastic prizes.

If members of the public have questions relating to their own home safety or would like to find out more about what the MFS does, including discussing the option of a career as a firefighter there will be firefighters on the stand from 9 am each day of the show.

We can't wait to see everyone there from 9 am this morning.

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