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Weekly Wrap – week ending 4 November 2016

Dear Families,

We have come to the end of another wonderful week of learning and engaging experiences and activities for our Preschoolers.

Our week has focused on road safety, and the many different aspects of how we need to keep and be kept safe. We have explored these understandings through artworks, stories, role play, games and pretend play. Our stories for the Kangaroos have been entwined with school readiness events and programs. Our artwork of the school crossing supervisor led to many conversations of children's lived experiences through driving in school zones with their family or taking their older siblings to school. We will be extending on this experience by inviting a crossing supervisor from a local school to visit in a few weeks.

This week's messages are:

- Our Preschool has been abuzz with children creating their own schools within the preschool. This has evolved from their visits to “big school” through orientation programs. All children are becoming involved in these play experiences. This week we added a school bag and lunchboxes, along with the uniforms. This has allowed children to engage and resource their own learning and understanding through play. Through this play children have engaged in **literacy** and **numeracy** as they have written names, numbers and words, practised counting and as they create their own expectations of school. These play scenarios are rich in **social engagement** and strengthen positive social behaviours within the group of children as they work on negotiating play roles and sharing of resources.
- Children were asked some **perspective-taking** questions by Miss Jacqui from Operation Christmas Child who visited on Wednesday: “How would you feel if you didn't receive any gifts at Christmas?” “What would happen if you drank dirty water?” Perspective-taking questions that are

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asked in supportive ways help children to think through situations and encourage them to take other people's feelings and perspectives into account. Our Preschoolers were shown videos which showed the children receiving the shoeboxes and the joy these gifts bring to them.

THANK YOU to families and children, we handed 30 packed shoeboxes to Miss Jacqui! We will continue collecting packed shoeboxes until the end of next week (11th November).

- **STEM** – children created painted patterns through absorption. This created colour blends and new colours. Children continue to be engaged in these hand-on experiences where they are able to watch, wonder, predict and create new understandings.
- Cooking – we measured and made choc chip cookies. Cooking is a great **math** experience with children exploring measurement through weight and quantity. **Science** through the combination of ingredients – turning dry ingredients into wet and then the process of cooking, makes the ingredients dry again to create cookies!!

Next week will be our last week of Kangaroo busy work and we will start on our planning of end of year events and Christmas. Please lock in these dates for the parties:

- Kangaroos – Tuesday, 6th December, **10.15AM** for 10.30AM start
- Wallabies – Thursday, 8th December, **9.15AM** for 9.30AM start

Parent teacher meetings will be held on Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th, and Thursday 17th November. Please book a time in with Sue or Namita.

Enjoy a fabulous weekend with family and friends.

From the Kings Road Long Day Preschool Team