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Weekly Wrap – week ending 11 November 2016

Dear Families,

Another week slips past and we are still just as busy. Children are enjoying the beautiful days outside in nature. We have had a few children interested in finding insects. We have been visited by a few dragon flies this week and children have observed before releasing these.

We also took Arky, our bearded dragon out of his enclosure for some fresh air and sunshine. Our children really liked to see him move unobstructed in our large balance ring. He is very fast and Miss Sue needed to watch him closely so he didn't run away.

This week has had our Preschoolers do some more cooking. We are becoming more and more skilled and knowledgeable with mixing and understanding the different ingredients.

We have also introduced CD story relaxation; the children rest/relax on the floor and listen to a told story. There is no book so children need to use their imagination to visualise the story. This is a lovely experience in the afternoon, when children sometimes need some quiet time.

Our artwork this week reflected cityscapes – some wonderful work were created by the children. We used mixed media throughout the week.

Our STEM this week was a combination of science and art, children used textas on absorbent paper and then we used droppers to watch the water spread and create lovely water colour effects on the paper. Through this experience children are exploring cause and effect and learning how different materials work and respond to different mediums.

We also made our own musical instruments with elastic band – guitars and straw flutes. Teachers are always responsive to children's experiments and investigations into the world of science and technology and encourage children to expand on their creative thoughts and extend on their understanding through

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hands on learning experiences.

We introduced children to Remembrance Day on Friday. Children created red poppy art and craft. We put our poppies into our garden to represent a poppy field. We listened to the ode and the last post; we also had nearly a minute's silence. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to start develop an understanding of cultural practices important to Australia. Information was presented at a level that was able to be understood by the children, without too much in-depth detail.

Our Preschool is passionate about creating opportunities for families and children to connect within our local and wider community which is integral to "belonging" and "being". On Friday evening, two Preschool family members went with Miss Christine and about 40 members of Life Church to Samaritan's Purse's shoebox processing warehouse to help sort and process the shoeboxes that were received into the warehouse. In the process, our Preschool family re-connected with an ex-colleague! As of Friday, Operation Christmas Child NSW collected 70,000 filled shoeboxes, more than halfway through their target of 120,000 shoeboxes! Families contributed another 12 shoeboxes by Friday and our total tally is 42 – a big THANK YOU to everyone again!

Please save this date & time: Saturday, 10 December, 11AM – 2PM – together with Life Church and Mainly Music Playgroup, we will be hosting a community Family Fun Day at Beaumaris Avenue Park, Castle Hill. There will be many fun activities for children and families! Kangaroo children will be presenting their Christmas performance too! Invitations will be sent out next week.

An important reminder: Our car park is a busy place, please be considerate to other people who are parked and take care when opening doors, that they don't hit cars next to them. Thank you for your consideration.

Reminders:

Please be sun safe – dress your child in clothes that cover their shoulders and sun screen them prior to preschool.

Next week, we have the family-educator meetings on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday and the New Children Play Mornings run over three days on Tuesday - Thursday. Christmas party invitations and raffles will be distributed as well.

Have a wonderful weekend. Take care!

From the Kings Road Long Day Preschool Team