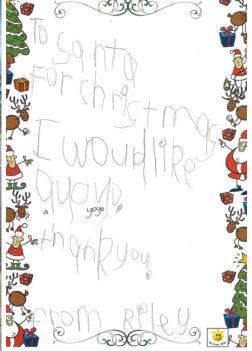
Week 8 Term 4

Monday 22 November 2021

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#### **Dates to remember:**

Saturday 27 November P&C Fundraising Farmers Markets

Wednesday 1 December Book Fair

Thursday 2 December Book Fair

Friday 3 December Book Fair

Wednesday 15 December End of Year Celebration Burbi

Thursday 16 December End of Year Celebration Gurrahmann

# Mailing our Santa letters

Over the past couple of weeks both the Burbi and Gurrahmann groups have been getting into the festive spirit. We extended our enthusiasm about Christmas into our writing to write letters to Santa. We read the book "Pig the Elf" which gave some ideas about how we could write our letters to Santa and created rich discussion around being "greedy" and "grateful" about presents at Christmas time. The children were able to identify what it means to be greedy and thought about, and discussed ways we could write our wishes to Santa without sounding greedy. After we had written our letters, Mrs Clark put them in an envelope to mail to the "North Pole". We went on a mini excursion down to the Casino West Newsagency/Post Office on Hotham Street where we posted our letters. We are hopeful that in the weeks to come, we will receive a reply from Santa and his helpers.



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#### **Circus**

This term the Burbi Group have been engaging in learning experiences extending on their interest in the circus. The children mind mapped things we see at the circus, including clowns juggling, dancing, animals doing tricks, acrobats etc. At preschool we have designed and made clown costumes, learnt how to juggle and Ms Astoria has taught the children to dance some ballet.









## Caterpillars

Whilst exploring the outside natural environment, the children pulled leaves off the tree that had lots of little bumps in them. Riley suggested that the bumps could be caterpillar eggs. This sparked discussion about caterpillars and what their eggs look like and how they hatch. We mind mapped what we know about caterpillars and things we wanted to research. From this we have been looking at the life-cycle of a butterfly, the different caterpillars we see in the environment, and the difference between chrysalis' and cacoons. The children have engaged in art experiences and created a display of the life-cycle of a butterfly that is now displayed in the preschool learning environment.









### Orientation finished for

The Jarjums have now finished their formal orientation days for kindergarten. They have had a wonderful time getting to know their teachers for next year and experiencing some of the learning and activities they will do as kindergarten students. Those children who are having another year at preschool in 2022 have had the opportunity to come along to orientation, this will provide extra transition for them for when they enter kindergarten in 2023. Throughout the remainder of the term we will continue to engage in experiences at "big school" so the children are familiar and comfortable with the school environment to support them in their transition



into kindergarten.













Please return your Kindergarten enrolment paperwork as soon as possible!

