Dear parents and caregivers,

Welcome back to term 4, we hope you had a wonderful holidays and are ready to start another busy term. Term 3 was a very busy time in the Preschool. We have participated in many school events, including book week and fortnightly assemblies.

We have been spending Monday afternoons in Mrs Jones’s class to help us get to know school students and develop our skills in cutting, holding a pencil and socially.

At the end of term 3 we sadly said goodbye to Miss Nayomi and wish her best of luck on her new adventure.

Transition to school will start in week 2. If you have any questions about your child’s transition to school please don’t hesitate to contact Lisa Vermeeren.

Pre-entry will begin in week 1, term 4. It will run on a Wednesday morning, due to this we will no longer be attending school assemblies.

Can you help us?
- Do you have any clothes that can be donated to the Preschool? We are running out of clothes to change children into when they have an accident or wet from water play.

Thank you to all the parents that have donated special things to the preschool over this term. The children love playing with their new toys and books. They also enjoy eating all the different foods.

Our attendance rate for week 9 Term 3 was 79% This is the highest it has been all year. It has been great to see so many children attending all their sessions.
Important things to Remember for term 4!

- Please do not pack nuts or nut products for snacks as some children are allergic.

- Please pack a healthy lunch/snack—we encourage the children to eat the healthy food in their lunchbox before all the other food.

- Please dress your child in the school uniform

- Pack a spare change of clothes—we will be doing more water play as the weather is heating up. A change of clothes is also suggested in case of an accident.

- Preschool starts at 8:45. There will be staff in the Preschool after 8:30 to supervise children BUT no earlier then this. We are using this time to set up for each day.

- Please inform staff if your child will be away or if another family member/friend will be picking them up from Preschool.

Thank you for all your support with these matters. This will help us ensure the safety of your child and other children in the preschool.
Term 4—Christmas

During term 4 we will be doing Christmas activities in the Preschool. If you do not want your child involved in these activities please let Lisa Vermeeren know.

If you have a Christmas activity you would like to share with us, please see a Preschool staff member and we can organise a time. We would love to have parents help us celebrate Christmas from many different cultures.

Our focus this term is Celebrations. Here are some of the topics that we will be covering.

- Colours
- Recognising and writing names
- Rhymes
- Emergency services (fire evacuations)
- Toileting and hand washing
- Parts of the body
- Child Protection curriculum
- Transition to school
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- Christmas Celebrations
- Counting
We had water play with the hoes in the sandpit. Everyone took their shoes off and joined in digging holes and trenches.

We spent time in the Library learning to draw with an illustrator.

We drew pictures and worked on making patterns.

We made some scrambled eggs and tomato's with the eggs that Vicky brought in and the tomato's that Shelby brought in.