**Wish List**

- Old Christmas wrap or decorations
- Cane baskets
- Coat hangers
- Sandpit buckets

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**Special Events**

- Wednesday 23rd October
  Bugdlie is closed for Children’s Week celebrations.
- Tuesday 29th October at 5.30
  Transition to School parent information night. Held at the Broken Hill Schools Office.
- Wednesday 30th Gemma away at Training
- Thursday 31st October
  Halloween Dance at Alma 5pm to 6pm (Dress up spooky)
- 5th November at Alma our Virtual Excursion “In the Bin” at 10am
- Alma Orientation Days are as follows (please note the change from information last week)
  - Thursday 3rd October 9.15-11 (Meet in the library)
  - Tuesday 5th November 11.30-1.30 (Meet in the New Hall)
  - Thursday 14th November 1-3 (Meet in New Hall)
  - Wednesday 20th November 9.15-11

**To Do**

- Start thinking about your child’s spooky costume for the Halloween Dance
- Start preparing your child for orientation days and transition to school by talking positive about your school and initiating conversations about what is to come next year.
- RSVP to the transition to school parent information night

**Growing Story**

The children have been in a world of discovery this week. Our focus has been on plants and nature. The project started with many of the children noticing all the flowers that have bloomed in our yard since the holidays. The question was asked “How do they grow?” and it was from there the seed of learning was planted.

The children have explored a number of different seeds. They were amazed at the wide variety of seeds they could find in the garden. They tried to predict the different plants that might grow from the seeds depending on their appearance.

We have had a few group times discussing the different parts of the plants and watched in amazement over the week as some of our seeds started to grow leaves and roots.

The children have learnt that plants need food from the soil, water and sunlight to grow. We have explored the different ways the plants get these essentials and helped them by watering them and making sure they are placed in a sunny place. We discovered that our worms have eaten all our fruit scraps and produced lots of soil that has food for our plants.

To tie in interest the children have shown in Bees, we have explored books and videos on the iPad. These have shown us that bees help spread pollen and make sure that fruit grows on the trees.

The children have renewed their interest in fruit time, through the discovery, that fruit holds the seeds to make new plants. The children have enjoyed dissecting the fruit and collecting the seeds. If the children could grow any fruit tree in their garden at home it would be a banana tree and then maybe an apple tree.

**Bugdlie T-shirts $15 a shirt or 3 for $40**

*The colder weather has set in, so also check out our Jumpers $20 each*

**Just a reminder that we are a NUT FREE ZONE**