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Christmas celebrated at Parklands Early Childhood Community Centre

The spirit of Christmas is alive and well at Churches of Christ Care's Parklands Early Childhood Community Centre on the Gold Coast.

This year the local child care centre celebrated Christmas with a short nativity play, and a lot of laughter and smiles.

Service manager Robyn Pointing said the children did a wonderful job at the performance last week, and that the night was a huge success.

"All the children were so excited to get up on stage and perform, and the parents were also just as excited," Ms Pointing said.

"This year we had a lot of input from parents, with one of our parents providing the nativity play for us to perform, as well as helping to provide costumes for the children."

Ms Pointing went onto explain there were 15 older children in the nativity play taking on various roles such as Mary and Joseph, shepherds, angels or wise men.

"The highlight of the event was the joy of the parents watching their children on stage, and the community sentiment among everyone there," she said.

"Staff were in the play as well, so it was a really fun night. The older children's group were joined on stage by the remainder of the children as they all sang 'Away in a Manger'. They also performed a variety of other Christmas songs including Colin Buchanan's 'My God is so Big', 'Jesus you're my Super Hero' and more traditional songs such as 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' and 'Jingle Bells'.

"We really wanted to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas, and convey the importance of being with family and giving to others. It is the culmination of a fantastic year, and overall everyone had fun and enjoyed each other's company enormously."

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We strive to create an inclusive, caring, compassionate environment that meets its clients' needs without discrimination or prejudice. Everyone is welcome to call on our help regardless of their religious background.

Churches of Christ Care is one of Queensland's leading providers of early childhood, child protection, affordable housing, retirement living and aged care services. We are a not-for-profit organisation that supports more than 27,000 clients each year in urban, rural and remote areas.

We operate 137 services throughout Queensland with the support of more than 2,800 staff and over 700 volunteers.

Churches of Christ Care is built on a foundation of Christian values, commitment to quality care, and trust and respect for clients and the community.