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From the Gladstone Region to the North Pole

Sending a letter to Santa is one of the many joys Christmas time brings, and one Gladstone Region children won't be missing out on.

A tradition within the community for 17 years, local children can head to any of the Gladstone Regional Council Libraries to write and send their letter off to Santa.

Gladstone Region Mayor Matt Burnett said he knows Santa loved receiving letters all the way from Australia.

"Our Libraries wanted to provide the community with the opportunity to celebrate Christmas through the *Letters to Santa* program," Councillor Burnett said.

"We all know the best part about sending a letter is getting one in return, and all children who send a letter, and include their name and address on the letter will receive one back.

"Council is proud to provide a little bit of Christmas magic where we can."

The *Letters to Santa* started Monday 26 November and will finish Friday 14 December, 2018.

This provides Santa and his helpers enough time to return letters to the community.

All letters are posted through the Christmas post-box, located at the Christmas Tree in Library Square.