Monday Munchkins – Playgroup
21st November - Christmas decorations & letters to Santa
28th November - Christmas break-up & Graduation for Pre-prep kids
5th December - No playgroup!

FOUND: Nintendo DS found in school grounds. Enquire at school office.

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Last Book Fair for 2016
Buy One Get One Free
Opens November 21st - Friday 25th November
Opening Times: 7:30AM - 8:30AM
2:30PM - 3:30PM
School Library

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Year 4/5/6 Report
Congratulations to our School Leaders for conducting a very fitting Remembrance Day tribute to the memory of our country’s military men and women of all conflicts last Friday.
All Year 4–6 students recited the poem “In Flanders Fields” and joined the rest of the school in singing the song “Lest We Forget.”
The upper-school students enjoyed their first week of inter-school sport against Hampden State School last Friday, with everyone fully engaged in either soccer, T-ball or basketball. Hampden will visit again this week, with Seaforth travelling to Hampden the following Friday. GO SEAFORTH!!

This Friday the class will be performing their “X-Factor” group presentations for the school. Mrs Stablum has had them rehearsing often for the big event. Parents will have a chance to view their performances at “Awards Night” in a couple of weeks.

Amid these extra-curricular experiences, everyone is busy completing assessment tasks for a range of subjects in preparation for the writing of reports, and the Year 6’s are undertaking high school orientation programs. What a busy time!

Howard Frost
Year 4/5/6 Teacher

Prep Update

The countdown may be on for the end of year, but down in the Prep room, the learning never stops! Just check out what we’ve been up to in the past fortnight.

More hands-on science learning!
Last week the Preps conducted an investigation called “Ramp Racers” in which they compared two objects’ movement down ramps. The discussion involved how the object moved, why it moved that way and also extended our learning to altering the variables to see how it may affect the movements.

More digital technologies!
The Preps thoroughly enjoyed interacting with our new robotic mice during activities involving location and direction. This highly engaging critter with its squeaks and flashing eyes, introduced them to the basics of programming, which is now included in the Australian Curriculum. This first exploration taught the children each button function, following card directions and creating paths of their own with the supporting cards. The Preps are really looking forward to the next step, whereby they program the mouse to avoid barriers to find the cheese in the maze! During these activities, the children are developing skills such as problem solving, self-correction, critical thinking and spatial concepts, just to name a few, all whilst having the greatest amount of fun and working collaboratively with others! The photos below show the explicit and investigative nature of the activity.

Melissa Francis; Lauren Noli & Lara Wright (Prep Class)

You Can Do It

This week is still focused on Getting Along. We will be discussing the concept of peer pressure. Which usually refers to student peers trying to get them to do things they know are wrong or about which they feel hesitant. Peers may “pressure” them to do such things with promises of friendship or threats to abandon them if they resist.

The following are common reasons why students give in to peer pressure:

1. They are afraid of what others will say about them.
2. They are afraid of what others will do to them.
3. They want to fit in with the group.
4. They want to be cool or popular.
5. They are afraid of being left out.
6. They are afraid of losing friends.
7. They want to make friends.

Consequences that may result from giving in to peer pressure:

1. You might get into trouble.
2. You might get hurt.
3. You might hurt someone else.

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
TICKETS WERE SENT HOME IN LAST WEEK’S NEWSLETTER. TICKETS ARE $1 EACH. EXTRA TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE. DRAWN AWARD’S NIGHT TUESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER.

WEDNESDAY ICY CUP DAYS

Mrs Francis, along with the Student Council will be selling Icy Cups at 2nd break for 50 cents for the rest of the term.