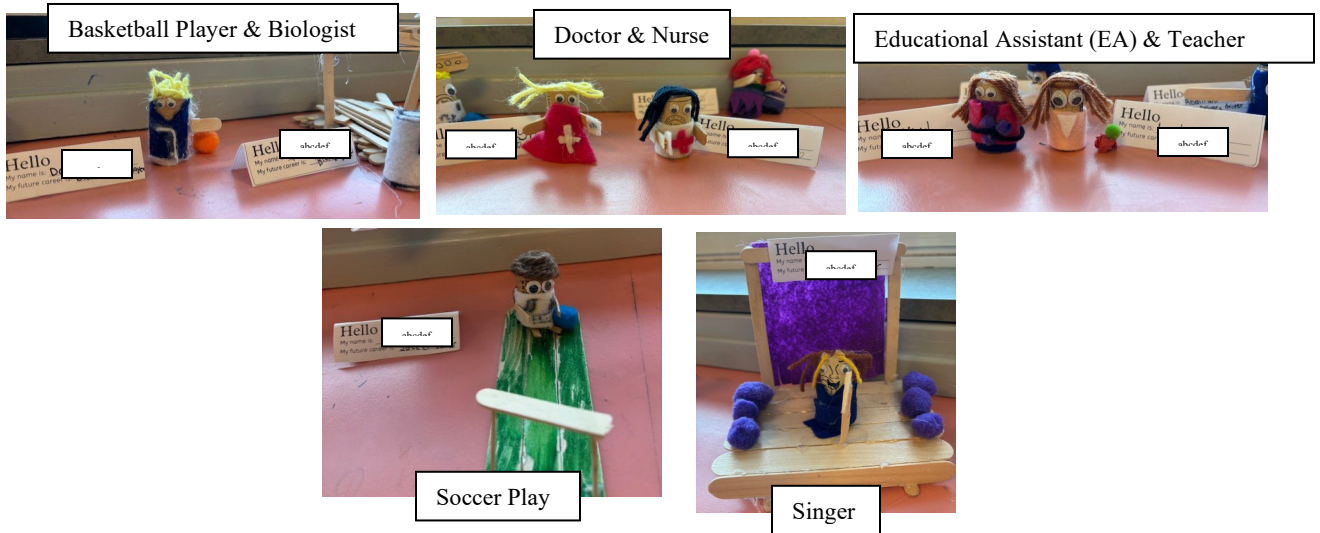


Friday, November 21, 2025

Hello Macaulay Families,

It's hard to believe that December is already upon us and that we have just fifteen school days left before the winter break. This stretch of the year is always filled with (lots of!) energy and joy as students and staff celebrate the learning and growth of Term 1. One recent highlight comes from Division 11, where students created *cork people* to represent the careers they dream of pursuing. It is so lovely to see their creativity, passions and dreams represented this way.



December also brings opportunities for some special school-wide moments, such as our upcoming whole-school theme days (more details below). We are also excited to welcome families into the building for events such as our *Rein-Deer Family Read-Aloud* on Monday, December 1 (see the poster below for details). And, of course, the PAC-organized *Loonie Emporium* is just around the corner; volunteers are still very much needed to help make this community tradition a success (see your PAC newsletter for information on how to sign up).

Finally, as December often brings colder and rainier days, we want to ensure all students have what they need to stay warm and comfortable at school. If you happen to have gently used sweatpants or leggings to donate, we will gladly accept them.

As we head into this busy and fun month, it feels like the right moment to share our appreciation for the wonderful Macaulay community. Thank you for the many ways you support our school.

Warmly,
Jeanne Humphries
Principal/Directrice

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Looking Ahead
Dec 1 - Rein-DEAR Family Read Aloud Event (library 3 - 4:30 pm)
Dec 5 - Hat day (tuque, baseball hat, fancy hat, themed hat, antlers, etc.), Loonie Emporium
Dec 10 - PAC Meeting (library 6:30 pm)
Dec 12 - Fun sweater day, PAC Fun Lunch
Dec 19 - Pajama day, last day of school before the winter break, learning updates go home
Jan 5 - First day back after the winter break

More School Information Items:

REIN-DEAR FAMILY READ ALOUD



Join us for a cozy time of reading together in the library. Get hot chocolate, cookies and a book from our Chapters-Indigo grant

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

COZY READING SPACE

HOT CHOCOLATE

COOKIES

BRING WILLODEEN HOME

MON, DEC 1, 3PM-4:30PM

MACAULAY LIBRARY

READ A BOOK, GET A BOOK

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Community Information Items:

Société Francophone de Victoria/Victoria Francophone Society

This year, the outdoor courtyard is transformed into a true holiday village! Come experience a warm and festive moment at the heart of the Francophone community.

On the program: Christmas songs with the choir Les Décibels, a traditional dance performance, a magical story that will enchant both children and adults, and of course, a visit from Santa Claus for photos and smiles! Children can enjoy games and activities while the adults warm up at the hot drinks bar. A wonderful way to celebrate together before the big Christmas parade brings the downtown to life! Multiple teachers from Macaulay sing in the choir, and Madame Karen, one of the French kindergarten teachers, will be dancing!

For more information you can check out the francophone societies website here: <https://www.sfvictoria.ca/en/event/franco-christmas-village/>



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Le programme
de Village
Noël franco
Program

Boissons

Animations

Spectacles

13h	Ouverture du village Contes et kiosque de boissons chaudes Christmas market and story time Hot drinks
14h	Arrivée du Père Noël et de ses lutins dans le village Meet Santa
14h30	Spectacle et atelier de gigue Jig dance performance and workshop
15h	Prestation de la chorale francophone Les Décibels Francophone choir, the Décibels' performance
15h45	Spectacle et atelier de gigue Jig dance performance and workshop
16h30	Prestation de la chorale francophone Les Décibels Francophone choir, the Décibels' performance
18h	Fin de l'événement End of the event

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3 Books = 1 Gift The Challenge Continued



Every week 1000X5 Children's Book Recycling Project donates 800 of your books

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Join the hundreds of families who have taken the three book challenge. As we head into the holiday season, many families appreciate a bit of help with gifts. And what can be a better gift than a bag of 3 books for babies and toddlers? Every month 1000X5 pops 2400 books in 800 gift bags. In the last three weeks, hundreds of books have arrived for the weekly Wednesday sorting by 10 dedicated volunteers.

Drop your books for babies and preschoolers off in the light blue bin next to the Rainbow chairs close to the main office.