As always, the last term at Nowra Hill has been busy! Here’s a snapshot of the activities in which the students have participated:

We commemorated **Remembrance Day** with a minute’s silence and the reading of the Ode of Remembrance and the poem *In Flanders Fields*. Kindergarten and Year 1 also learnt about symbols of peace and both classes made beautiful artworks which were displayed with the Remembrance Day Banner.

Many students entered the Remembrance Day colouring-in competition, with the winners being awarded some art materials and a Defence Teddy Bear.

The inaugural **Artist of the Term** competition was held at the end of Term 3. Two students from each class were chosen as the runner-up and the winner for their inspirational artworks. Congratulations to the students, particularly Defence students Olivia, Tia, Charley and Jessica, all of whom had their artworks selected.

I have really enjoyed making some great artworks with Kindergarten and Year 2 this year.
Years 4, 5, 6 attended a 3 day camp at Berry Sport and Recreation Centre in November. During their stay they participated in a range of activities including bush walking, canoeing, archery, swimming in the river and the pool and rock climbing. It was wonderful to watch students step up to take on various leadership roles, or to participate in new, and sometimes, confronting sports.

Kids Club is still very popular with the students. Many spend some of their lunchtime in the library playing games, colouring-in, or making craft. This year Captain Teddy, Sailor Bear and Squadron Leader Brown have had many wonderful sleep-over adventures. A number of students from Nowra Hill entered the RSL ‘ANZAC Art Awards’ competition. We are still awaiting the judges decision.

I’ve been working with Year 1 on a unit based on Friendship. The students have written a poem, made a fantastic Friendship Pie and made a chain of friendship hands.

This term we farewell Ben, Kyle and Jesse and their families who are all moving away from Nowra. We also farewell Braedyn, Jessica and Caitlin who are moving onto local high schools. We wish them all the very best of luck in the future.

Finally, I’d like to thank all of the Defence families for the support you have given me over the last 12 months. Merry Christmas and I hope you have an enjoyable and safe holiday.

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