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SLA explores the courageous lives of the soldier through art, essay and poetry.

St. Lawrence Academy were recognized for their most successful year yet by the Prescott Royal Canadian Legion Branch 97 where students from our small but mighty school were awarded 1st, second or third prize in 18/30 positions. In addition, two students from SLA were honoured at the Zone competition where our entries competed against students from Manotick, Merrickville, Chesterville, Russell, Winchester, and Osgoode. Congratulations Daya Gill for receiving 2nd place honours for your Colour Poster, and Luke Taylor for receiving top honours for your Black and White art work. Luke will continue on to the Provincial competition. We are so proud of you all!

Local Short Story Author Jon Marshall visited SLA to give a dramatic reading of his newest story, "The Last Battle". A historical fiction piece which brought to life what it must have felt like to fight a war on Christmas Eve. Students were enthralled with the tale of kindness and second chances. Mr. Marshall discussed with students afterwards encouraging them to continue to explore their imaginations through their writing and the importance of showing empathy in their work, a lesson the 3,4,5 class in particular have being striving to achieve in their writing.

<u>Most Courageous:</u> Primary - Aiden Plooy Junior - Charlotte Eyre Intermediate – Luke Taylor <u>Artists Of The Month:</u> Primary- Benjamin Williams Junior- Jack Gill Intermediate-Finnian Brophy

Lending A Hand

The Prescott Food Bank 'Food For All' program is growing and needs to expand in their current space. Unfortunately, this has resulted in the need for the Prescott Youth Centre to begin a search for a new home. Last month, SLA Board members were presented with a proposal to partner with the centre. We are striving to become an active part in the Leeds and Grenville Community and are currently considering the feasibility of partnering with this honourable local community program and, as a school, love the idea of working hand in hand with those in need. Having said that, our potential growth, academic and enrichment programs and our children's best interests are and will always be our first priority. We will keep you posted on the progress and outcome in the coming months. **Students** At

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A Smash Hit!

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"The Christmas County Spelling Bee" showcased the many talents of SLA students. Working for the past four months with Mrs. Hosick and Mrs. Joanisse, students gave their all to help raise awareness and support for the Jammies For Christmas Pyjama fund and, at the same time, give those in attendance the best show possible. With our songs, actions and words: We all wish you a very 'Merry Christmas'!

SLA Students worked hard for months to prepare their lines, choreography, percussion, string and choral performances. Hard work pays off!



COMING UP IN THE NEW YEAR: THE HISTORY OF GUITAR - TUESDAY JAN 6 SLA SCHOOL SPELLING BEE - WEDNESDAY JAN 7 WOWZA WEDNESDAY TERM 2 - STARTS WEDNESDAY JAN 7 SOUTH GRENVILLE CHAMBER SPELLING COMPETITION REGISTRATION DEADLINE - FEB 1 SPIRIT WEEK - FEB 9-12 LONG WEEKEND - FEB 13-16 SOUTH GRENVILLE CHAMBER SPELLING BEE (HOSTED AT SLA) – SAT, FEB 28