Term 3 Ends
Holidays Begin
The student vacation commences at 3pm on Friday. School resumes for teachers and students on Tuesday, October 7. We wish all students and their families a safe and happy time!

GOLD Morning Tea Invitation
Congratulations to the following legendary students on achieving GOLD status during the term. An invitation is extended for these clever kids and their parents/guardians to celebrate such a fine achievement at a special morning tea on Wednesday, September 17 at 11am in the school hall.

- Wallace Hughes
- April Weir
- Emma McCallum
- Holly Amor
- Kylah Learmonth
- Dylan Bassett
- Nash Suckling
- Charlee Pitt
- Emily Manzin
- Lachlan Hillier
- Marion Blease
- Sophie Murray
- Will McKern
- Tom McCallum
- Kyeasha Ross
- Lucy Pitt
- Elena Mulham
- Jessica Hillier

Elena Mulham and Jessica Hillier proudly show their GOLD award certificates and prizes. Elena selected a tub of chalk and Jessica a bag of bubbles from the prize box. Well done girls!

Principal’s Awards
Last week’s champions are:

- Grace Clark—great work in all areas
- Jack Gavel—improved efforts and approach
- Allie Duffy—working hard in Writing
- Hannah Dunmore—excellent fairytale monologue
- Dan James—salesman of the year at Car Boot
- Tess Hunter—diligence and application to all tasks
- Isabel Auldist—great application in STL
Outstanding students; Chloe Manzin, Charlie Slattery and Samantha Hughes have been selected by teachers to be ‘Stars of the Month’ for September/October. Nice one!

CAR BOOT SALE
Report from Louise Bashford
The Car Boot Sale held recently was a wonderful success and everyone had a fun time. There were a great variety of stalls, lots of painted faces, a yummy BBQ lunch and lots of happy chocolate winners. A big thank you to all the families who dropped in and also to those who contributed to the day - whether it was donations, holding a stall, or helping Maureen out on the BBQ.

A very special mention to the teachers, Maureen, Mrs Al-litt and Mrs Nisbet for everything they did leading up to and on the day itself.
We have raised lots of money that will go towards a much needed projector for the hall that will greatly benefit our school and our children.
We are hoping to make this a bi-annual event, so any feedback would be very appreciated. Thank you for all of your support.
Cheryl McMillan and Louise Bashford
PS. Although final sums have not been done, profits are expected to be in excess of $1000.

We Value Values
Well done to the following students who last week received awards for being top value at:
“Getting along with others”

- Maddison Edwards-enjoying company of friends
- Kendall Paige-getting along with everybody
- Zali Paterson-getting along with others
- Elena Mulham-friendly, considerate and helpful
- Ellie Fishlock-caring, empathetic and friendly
- Te-Rahana Ropika-consideration, helpfulness and thoughtfulness
- Brodie Barlow-always kind and inclusive

This week’s value will be:
‘Honesty is the best policy’
Deni Pastoral Society
Giant Pumpkin Competition
To order seedling in a pot ($2) contact John Russell on 58813607. Orders by September 19.

New to the Deni Show - the heaviest tomato

Happy Yappers Bound for Leeton
The North Happy Yappers' debating team will contest the Riverina semi-final when they take on Leeton Public in Leeton on Wednesday.
Will the journey continue, or will they finally meet their nemesis? - If successful the team will advance to the final which is due to be thrashed out on the first day of Term 4. We wish the Yappers, all the best!

Final Term Pointscore

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Brumbies trampled to a win last week, but Shetlands are leading the way.

Canteen Roster

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Feeding Time

At the Zoo

Deniliquin Aboriginal Disability Yarn Up
Working together to bring Disability Awareness to our Mob

24th Sept 2014
11-2pm
Waring Gardens
Aboriginal Resources & Pathways
National Disability Services

Having seen exclusive video footage I can assure all and sundry that the school’s infants students had a whale of a time at Altina Wildlife Park last week. Alligators (or were they crocs?), camels, zebras, lions, dinosaurs (not!), meerkats and oxen, were just some of the wonderful wildlife on show.
Our thanks to Miss Wilms for her great organisation as well as staff and parents/carers that lent their support.
CHUMMY BARTLETT FOOTBALL REPORT
From Mr Bradley
The 'Flood Country' North School football team participated enthusiastically at last Friday's 'Chummy Bartlett' inter-school sports day. Although the team did not take out a victory they were very competitive and never stopped contesting all day. Highlights of the day were fantastic goals by Duncan Hughes and Sam Dudley in a close game against Edward. Tom McCallum and Johnny Holschier were rewarded for their consistent efforts with team awards. Congratulations to all players on their efforts, outstanding sportmanship and exemplary behaviour. What a fantastic group of sporting representatives for North School!

Netball and Newcombe Ball
Not only did the footy team give their all for the 'blue and gold', both the netballers and the newcombe ballers stepped up to the plate and put their best foot forward. In what was a great day of keenly contested sporting events, Deni South prevailed overall to retain the Shield.
The ever-popular Kidzlink program has been and gone with the final session held last Wednesday. Our thanks to external presenters; Nick Robinson (photography), Delena Gaffney (Music) and stalwarts' the Mens-Shed (woodwork) for engaging our students in such exciting activities.
Riverina Spelling Bee at North

Report from Mrs Hunter (Coordinator)

The Riverina Spelling Bee held at North last week, attracted nearly 100 spelling gurus from throughout the region.

Two sessions were run on the day, the first from 9.30-11.30 for Stage 2 students and then an afternoon session for Stage 3 students. 45 students attended each session from all over the Riverina, including schools from Albury, Table Top and Corowa.

Our stage 2 competitors, Tom Cochrane and Cheyenne Ferrie should be proud of their efforts, with Tom eventually coming unstuck on ‘triceps’ in the 3rd last round and Cheyenne on ‘Asia’, in an earlier round.

The afternoon session saw Jessica Smith and Ryan Penney, represent DNPS. Jessica unfortunately misspelt ‘theology’, whilst in a very impressive effort Ryan made it to the 3rd last round and went out on ‘homily’.

During the day the DNPS Captains and Prefects were excellent ambassadors for the school, manning the registration table, assisting with timing and officially welcoming guests to the school. Many of the accompanying adults commented on the wonderful morning and afternoon teas provided by Maureen and her band of helpers. A big thanks to everyone who donated cakes, slices etc for this event with special mention to: Rachel Napier. Fiona McKenzie, Angela Thomas, Jacinta Hawley, Callie Learmonth, Sarah Metcalfe, Michelle Oakley, Marie Watson, Alex Rose, Peata Smith, Gen Dunmore and Louise Bashford. Also thanks to Melissa Dudley, Kate Paton, Fiona McKenzie and Gen Dunmore who helped with sandwiches and plating.

I would also like to thank Margaret Russell (announcer), Cynthia Smith (chairperson), Sara Young and Claire Wing (scorers) whose contributions on the day ensured a smooth and successful event.

The Principal Says:
Many thanks to Mrs Hunter for the meticulous way that she convened such a massive undertaking.

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FOOTY COLOURS DAY for STUDENTS
Come dressed in your favourite team colours
This Friday
Gold Coin Donation for Student Council Fundraising
ATTENTION DNA
Net Set GO PLAYERS
(Kinder to year 3)
We have been very lucky in being given the opportunity to participate in the half time skills demonstration at the Australia versus England International Test in Bendigo, on Sunday, 18th October 2014.

Any of our Net Set Go players who are interested in participating and available on the day with an accompanying adult will need to email Melissa Westcott BEFORE MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER. Each player will need to be accompanied by a parent.
Melissa.westcott@wf.catholic.edu.au

All names will go into a ballot for selection.

Our thanks to Mr Bradley for coming out of retirement while Mr Hanns has been on leave and for having such a wonderful input into the learning and welfare of students. Legendary!

NAPLAN RESULTS 2015

What do they tell us?
In straight statistical terms the NAPLAN results tell us a few things about the achievements of students in Grades 3 and 5 on that one day in May when they sat the tests.

A) Grade 3 students as a group achieved better than the national average in Reading, Writing and Grammar/Punctuation. In Numeracy they were around the national average and in Spelling they were below this average.

B) Grade 5 students as a group achieved better than the national average in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar/Punctuation and Numeracy.

C) Reading continues to be a strong point at North with both groups significantly above the national average.

D) The growth of students in Grade 5 since they were in Grade 3, in Numeracy is 101.5, whereas expected national growth is only 89.1.

E) Growth for Grade 5 students in Writing is also marginally above national expectations.

F) Growth for Grade 5 students in Reading and Grammar/Punctuation is around the national average, but Spelling growth is below expectations.

G) 74% of Grade 3 students achieved in the top 3 bands for Numeracy. There is a similar pattern for Reading and Grammar/Punctuation.

H) 66% of Grade 5 students were in the top 2 bands for Reading (national average=35%).

I) Looking across all areas of Literacy, Spelling stands out as the area that most needs attention.

J) There are promising signs that the school focus on Grammar/Punctuation is paying dividends.