Principal’s Awards
Last week’s champions are:

- Jarren Richards—working well in reading
- Amy Weir—being a good friend
- Lachlan Wilson—consistent effort
- Will Bull—for improved application to tasks
- Jess Bish—for lovely personality traits
- Harry Bull—for being a reliable class member who always tries his best in the library

School Vacation Period
The school vacation begins for students at 3pm on Wednesday, December 16. School will resume for Grades 1-6 on Thursday, February 4. Kindergarten students commence the following day, on Friday, February 5.

Grade 6 Graduation
The last hoorah for Grade 6 students is tonight from 6pm.

Emily Manzin and Sophie Willis are the very last students to be presented GOLD awards at assembly in 2015. Nice one!

Deni North Skoolbag App-IT’S FREE!!
To install the school’s free app onto your phone, just search for our school name... "Deniliquin North Public School", in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store.
Please note that the app is now available for Windows 8.1 and beyond, and can be accessed through the Windows Store.

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For the information of members and their guests
We Value Values

Well done to the following students who last week received awards for being top value at:

'Being Honest'

- Holly Allitt—being an honest class member
- Ruby Caruso—honesty
- Will Willis—being honest
- Lachlan Hillier—being an honest class member
- Jessica Smith—being honest
- Andrew Smith—for being an honest and reliable class member

Outstanding Grade 5 student, Sophie Willis has reached SUPERSTAR status, only a day after Presentation Day. Sophie has received her certificate, but as it is important that our whole school community has the chance to acknowledge her wonderful achievement, she will have to wait until next year's Presentation Day to receive her trophy.

DATE | EVENT
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15/12 | Grade 6 graduation dinner-6pm
16/12 | GOLD awards morning tea
16/12 | Last student day
17/12 | Teachers-Staff Development day
18/12 | Teachers-Staff Development day
3/2 | Teachers resume
4/2 | Grades 1-6 resume
5/2 | Kindergarten begins

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE NORTH P&C

Hi Parents and Carers,

We have a big group of year 6 leaving this year and not as many enrolments replacing them next year. As such, we need your help to promote our school to prospective families. If you know any families that are looking for a new school, tell them how great Deniliquin North Primary School is.

Although we are a small school community, we can still offer all the main educational and sporting opportunities that bigger schools can. Kidzlink, Tournament of Minds and debating are particular strong points, and the school can boast: a canteen every day, great teachers and facilities, and a very active P & C.

If you know anyone looking for a great school in Deniliquin, please ask them to contact our principal, Chris Hogan on 58811042, for a guided tour.

Regards
Deniliquin North P & C committee
**Final Term Pointscore**

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**Tips for a stress free Christmas day**

*From Libby Barker (Intereach)*

Don't put children to bed too early on the evening before the celebration - they will not get more sleep but will probably lie awake. Put them to bed at the usual time and have a relaxing story to help settle them.

Injuries happen because everyone is busy and there may be no-one to supervise the children, eg in pools, or with new toys such as a bike that children don't have skills for yet.

Try new toys/equipment with supervision - riding new bikes, skateboards etc, without enough skill causes many injuries.

Have back-ups for emergencies - spare toy batteries, a video the children enjoy.

Excitement is part of a celebration - if it seems to be getting too much step in and offer an activity to focus their thoughts, eg a quiet-ish game.

Plan ahead for your celebrations so that you are not trying to do too many things at once. A celebration with two families is sometimes better spread over two days rather than all crammed into one.

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**GOLD Morning Tea**

Congratulations to the following students, who achieved GOLD award status during the term:

- Matilda Dickie
- Eliza Johnstone
- Elena Mulham
- Jasmine Kilpatrick
- Isaac Behsman
- Reagan Behsman
- Charlie Bull
- Charlie McCallum
- Stella Bashford
- Oliver Donaldson
- Amy Weir
- Bella Gordon
- Jacob Wilson
- Will McKern
- Harley Hicks
- Matthew Pitt
- Brodie Barlow
- Eimear Gogarty
- Holly Amor
- Samara Watson
- Tabitha Napier
- Peta Thomas
- Ellie Fishlock
- Grace Clark
- Sophie Willis
- Emily Manzin
- Angus Knox
- Henry Knox
- Wallace Hughes
- Tom McKern
- Harry Dudley
- Addison Mutch
- James Blease
- Tyeesha Hicks
- Tom McCallum
- Eloise Ritchie
- Lydia Moore
- Jack Brown
- Ruby Caruso

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Junior Primary Improvement Awards
Donated by Deniliquin Soroptimist Club
Charlee Pitt for excellent improvement in all areas.
Beau Leetham for excellent improvement in all areas.

Junior Quiet Achiever - In memory of past principal - Mr Bob Jackson
Donated by the Jackson family.
Awarded to Olivia Manzin for consistently producing work of a high standard.

Junior Primary Excellence
Donated by the McIntosh Family
Awarded to Hannah Dunmore for outstanding academic achievement in all areas.

Creative and Practical Arts Award for a Junior Student
Donated by the Fisher Family in memory of Elizabeth Fisher. This is accompanied by a book prize donated by the DNPS P&C.
Awarded to Kira Dickie for excellent achievement in drama and Visual arts.

Junior Primary Creative Arts
Donated by the Edward River Art Society.
Awarded to Marion Blease for excellent achievement in Visual Arts.

Junior Encouragement Award
Donated by Deniliquin North P&C.
Awarded to Harry Dudley for excellent application to all areas of his schooling.

Junior Creative Writing Award
Donated by the Deniliquin North Public School P &C
Awarded to Sophie Murray for creating high quality writing.

Infants Creative Writing Award
Donated by the Deniliquin North Public School P &C
Awarded to Ella Marshall for creating imaginative and well-structured stories.

Junior Citizenship Award
Donated by the Deniliquin North P&C
Awarded to Jemma Smith for being a positive role model for others in the school community.

Creative and Practical Arts Award for a Senior Student
Donated by the Deniliquin North P&C in memory of Sarah Bullock
Awarded to Catriona Vickery for excellence and achievement in Visual Arts. Catriona has a passion and a flair for the finer arts and she has produced many outstanding artworks.

Senior Primary Creative Arts Award
Donated by the Edward River Art Society
Awarded to Sophie Hay for excellence and achievement in Visual Arts. Sophie has a unique style when creating artwork.

Mathematics Achievement Award
Donated by Deniliquin Council
Awarded to Duncan Hughes for excellent achievement in Mathematics. Duncan came equal first in Maths this year and has an ability to offer alternative methods when solving complex problems.

Student Representative Award
Donated by the Deniliquin Council
Awarded to Jessica Smith for her contributions to DNPS in her time at North. Jessica has been a member of the SRC has always donated generously to the school.

Indigenous Encouragement Award
Donated by Deniliquin North Public School P&C.
Awarded to Reece Weir for being a helpful citizen of our school.

Best Effort in Senior Primary
Donated by Deniliquin North P&C
Awarded to Emily Manzin for outstanding application in all areas. Emily is a courteous and mature student who always gives her best.

Diligence in All Areas
Donated by Deniliquin North P&C
It is presented to Lizzie Lostroh for outstanding application across all curriculum areas.

Science and Technology Award
Donated by Deniliquin North P&C
Awarded to Eloise Ritchie for excellent application and achievement in Science. Eloise has a very inquisitive mind in this subject and she came equal first in Science this year.
Academic Improvement in Senior Years
Donated by Purtills Buses
Awarded to Myles Amor for overall improvement. Myles has made many improvements over the course of the year, improving considerably in all his assessment results, in particular, Mathematics.

Senior Creative Writing Award
Donated by the Mills Family.
Awarded Ryan Penney for creativity and originality in his writing. Ryan has a natural flair with words.

Senior Primary Citizenship
Donated by Deniliquin Rotary Club
Awarded to Adrian Mulham for showing his initiative and being a wonderful role model for others in the school community. Adrian is a mature student who can be entrusted with any responsibility.

Outstanding Endeavour Award
Donated by Deniliquin Lions Club
Awarded to Rosie North for always achieving at a high standard due to her outstanding endeavour. Rosie displays diligence at all times. She has performed her duties as School Captain to a high level and makes a wonderful role model for our students.

A Good Role Model for all students in all areas
Donated by the Schneider family
Awarded to Ellie Fishlock for having a positive and mature attitude to school. Ellie cares for others and tries her best in all she does.

Senior Primary Excellence
Donated by the Conargo Shire in memory of Jan Nevinson.
Awarded to Zoe Metcalfe for outstanding academic achievement. Zoe has consistently produced excellent results this year. She came 4th in Maths and English and 3rd in Science and HSIE.

Quiet Achiever – In memory of past principal – Mr Bob Hawke
Donated by the Deniliquin Teachers Association
Awarded to Calypso McKenzie for excellent application and achievement in all areas. Calypso gives her best in all academic subjects. She has a passion for reading and came 1st in English.

Brian Hopper Award
Donated by the Osborne Family.
Zoe Metcalfe for her excellent skills in debating and public speaking. Zoe was an integral member of the school debating team and represented North at the Deniliquin Lions Club Public Speaking competition.

P&C Hall of Fame Award
This award celebrates and acknowledges the most outstanding achievement by students at Deniliquin North in a particular calendar year and this year has been nothing short of amazing.
This years' inductees are:
The MPPS State representatives:, our 3 TOM teams that competed at State level, the debating team which competed at Riverina semi-final level, as well as our State and Riverina representative athletes; and the red ball tennis team.

Dux of the school
Donated by the Miller family.
Awarded to Rosie North for her overall excellent academic results this year. Rosie came equal 1st in Maths and Science and 2nd in English and HSIE. She is a bright student with a broad general knowledge. Rosie applies herself to all she does and is a worthy winner of this award.

Superstar Awards
This is the school’s most prestigious award and is awarded to students that have earned 5 GOLD awards. Superstars for 2015 are:
- Storm Barlow
- April Weir
- Sophie Murray
- Calypso McKenzie
- Reece Weir
- Charlee Pitt
- Sam Dudley
- Jemma Smith
- Elena Mulham
- Will McKern
- Eimear Gogarty
- Holly Amor

PRESENTATION DAY RAFFLE
We had another successful raffle, raising $418.
Winners were:
1st - Norma Hughes
2nd - Leanne Rutledge
3rd- Dawn McKenzie

Many thanks to Fiona McKern and her team of raffle organisers!!

OUR THANKS
Many thanks to the following for their wonderful input into Presentation Day:
Mrs Hunter and her team (for the great organisation) and the legendary, Shane McGrath for his sensational assistance with the band.
Conargo Shire Trophy for Senior Sportsperson
Awarded to Eloise Ritchie
Eloise was a Western Riverina representative in Netball. She was selected as first reserve for the Riverina tennis team. Eloise was Senior Girl Athletics Champion. She was selected in the Riverina basketball team. Eloise came 9th in cross country at the Riverina Carnival.

Jennings Family Trophy for Senior Sporting Endeavour
Awarded to Adrian Mulham
Adrian has demonstrated outstanding endeavour in all sports. He was Senior boy swimming and athletics champion, and a school rep in soccer. Adrian made it to state for discus. He broke a record at both the school and PSSA Athletics carnivals.

Whelan Family Trophy for Senior Sportsmanship
Awarded to Duncan Hughes
Duncan has a high skill level in all sports. He was Senior Boy Athletics Champion and is a member of our school tennis team. Duncan was selected in the Western Riverina AFL team.

Premier's Sporting Challenge Medallion
Awarded to Charlie Slattery
Charlie was selected in the Riverina Rugby Union team and displays enthusiasm and outstanding sportsmanship during school sport sessions.

Wade Family Trophy for Junior Sportsperson
Awarded to Elena Mulham
Elena was a Riverina Rep in swimming. She was a State rep in athletics and a Deniliquin North representative in Cross Country. Elena has natural sporting abilities.

Allitt Family Trophy for Junior Sporting Endeavour
Awarded to Tom Charlton
Tom actively participates in all school sports, and displays excellent sportsmanship.

The Metcalfe Trophy for the Winning House
Awarded to BOYD house.
Will the house captains, Lizzie Lostroh and Adrian Mulham please come up on the stage and accept the trophy on behalf of their house. BOYD achieved first place at the swimming carnival and second place at the athletics in 2015.

Riverina PSSA Certificates of Achievement
They are awarded to students who have represented the Riverina in 2 or more sports. This year the following North have qualified for this prestigious award: Elena Mulham, Hannah Dunmore and Charlotte Strong. Through her national representation, Elena has also met the criteria for a Riverina Blue award.

Class Awards
KCH
Charlie McCallum: for excellent effort and improvement in all areas
Ellie Gavel: For being a positive, enthusiastic and delightful student.
Megan Lawson: For outstanding achievement in reading
Rory Smith: For his fantastic general knowledge and contributions to class discussions
Matthew Pitt: For excellent understanding of mathematical concepts

1/2W
Henry Knox: For excellent achievement in all areas
Jack Murray: For excellent effort in all areas
Tyeesha Hicks: For consistent effort, application and improvement
Jarren Richards: For excellent progress in reading
Tom McKern: For being a conscientious and positive student

1/2R
Matilda Dickie: For being a positive, enthusiastic and delightful student
Ben Dunmore: For consistent effort and application in all areas
Sean Richards: For improved application and achievement
Eliza Johnstone: For being a kind and caring skills
Isaac Behsman: For improved reading and writing skills

3/4H
Mollie Maher: for excellent effort in all areas.
Max Caruso: for improved application in all areas.
Abbey Lawson: For consistent effort in all areas
Kylah Learmonth: For excellent application in all areas
Dustin Lawson: For improved application in all areas

4/5HB
Angus Knox: For being an enthusiastic and conscientious student
Chloe Paton: For being an outstanding role model for others.
Dan James: For excellence in drama
Eimear Gogarty: For consistent effort and application in all areas.
Charlotte Strong: For being a diligent and caring student.

5/6S
Jessica Bish: For being an excellent role model
Storm Duggan: For improvement in English
Georgia Fisher: For being a conscientious and diligent student
Sophie Bashford: For excellent achievement in all areas
Tom Cochrane: For being a kind and caring citizen
The North Red Ball tennis team has returned from Melbourne with enough tales to last a lifetime. As you can see from the photos, they mixed with some of the greats of Australian tennis including: John Fitzgerald, Pat Rafter, Alicia Molik and Kristoff Hoganoff. Our lucky tennis-tragics, also were spellbound by the skill of current Davis Cup player, Thanasi Kokkinakis, who was practising on one of the courts. It was also wonderful that our tennis champs found time in their busy schedule to send us their best wishes via video link (Nudge! Nudge! Wink! Wink!), at our Presentation Day ceremony, last Wednesday. It never ceases to amaze me, the fantastic opportunities that kids have these days! Many thanks to team managers', Naomi Ritchie and Joe Gogarty (who also donated the ace shirts to the team!), as well as the sensational support crew that ventured to Melbourne for the big event.

From all reports Santa had a very merry time amongst our good boys and girls at the Infants’ Xmas concert. Many thanks to Miss Wilms and her team for their input into the concert!
Dear Principal, Teachers & Staff...

Debbie & I, our family and all the team at Purtills, wish you a very Merry Christmas!

In 2016, it will be 65 years since my father, Keith Purtill, bought his first school bus and since then our family has strived to proudly continue that family business to the very best of our ability.

In recognition of our 65th Anniversary and as a thank you for your support throughout the years, we would like to make a gift to all our valued school clients, of a Lennox Bluetooth Portable Speaker.

Early in Term 1 next year, we will make contact with you and organise a convenient time to present the Portable Speaker to your school.

We hope this gift will be something that will be an asset and of benefit to all the teachers and students for years to come.

We have enjoyed working together again over the last 12 months and look forward to doing so in the New Year.

So again, from my desk to yours, best wishes and safe holidays to everyone.

With Kind Regards  
Neville Purtill  Managing Director

A program packed with...
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Enrolments for 2016 now open! 
Ages 4 - 13
Thursday afternoons during school terms.
Please call Delena on: 0413 485 479

Our thanks in advance to Purtills for not only their kind donation, but also to the years of support of our school!

School captains, Rosie North and Duncan Hughes proudly display the new entrance sign, which was donated by Grade 6 as a parting gift.

Grade 6 have also donated a display cabinet for the hall. This is expected to be installed early next year.

Many thanks to Grade 6 on their kind gesture.
On behalf of the staff at Deni North PS, I would like to wish all our families a top Xmas and a safe and happy holiday!

All the best!

Chris Hogan