**Principal’s Awards**

Last week’s champions are:

- Riley Renynolds—improved coloring skills
- Jack Brown—for being a lovely member of class
- Amy Weir—enthusiasm for swimming
- Will McKern—improved effort
- Jaye Charlton—enthusiastically approaching learning opportunities
- Tom Mc Callum—for his cheeky, charming antics at Ballarat
- Angus Emery—being helpful in the classroom
- Lucy Willis—continuing to try hard in Reading

**Semester 2 Reports**

Student reports will be sent home in an envelope, with students, next Tuesday.

To all students that have tried hard to improve, both their school work and themselves, we say WELL DONE! You are deserving of the greatest of admiration from all—mums, dads, carers, relatives, teachers, school staff, friends and YOURSELF. Nice one!

**Presentation Day Practise**

Grade 6 students, as well as 2015 school captains will head to the Deni RSL for a Presentation Day practise next Tuesday. The bus will depart at 12:15pm and return around 2:30pm.

**GOLDEN GREATS**

Ruby Caruso, Jack Brown and Lydia Moore are this week’s GOLD award winners. Good one!

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Presentation Day
One for the diary—Wednesday, December 9 at 11am.

Prefect Elections
Students in Grades 2-6, as well as staff, will vote for prefects on Thursday, December 3. The North system is truly democratic with each registered voter entitled to a single vote.
Once the 7 prefects are elected and announced, they will gather with staff for a morning tea, and election of boy and girl captain. In the same way that political parties elect their leader, the staff and 7 prefects will again lodge a secret ballot to determine the leadership.
Come Thursday we will know who our duly elected prefects for 2016 will be. Once again, I would like to thank all Grade 5 students that were prepared to stand for election. Champions!

Grade 6 Orientation to DHS
Grade 6 students that will be attending Deni High school in 2016 will participate in a full day orientation program on Wednesday. Students are reminded that they are expected to arrange their own way to and from the high school, on the day.

Library Book Returns
Students please note that all borrowed library books are now due back. There will be no library book borrowing for the remainder of the year.

Cricket Clinics—Wednesday
Cricket NSW representatives will conduct 2 clinics at school on Wednesday for students in grades 3-5.

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

‘Having Good Manners’
- Mitchell Avis—displaying beautiful manners
- Samara Watson—having lovely manners
- Ella Marshall—beautiful manners
- Bella Jachim—lovely manners
- Marion Blease—beautiful manners
- Kane Hall—being helpful in Ballarat
- Storm Duggan—using good manners
- Mollie Maher—for always using lovely manners

This week’s value will be:
‘Getting Along With Others’
School Captains; Rosie North and Duncan Hughes accept a cheque from the Bendigo Bank for $3193 from P&C members, Gen Dunmore and Jenny Campion. Our thanks to Bendigo Bank for helping the school with funding for the new sports shed.

Canteen Roster

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CANTENE NEWS

From Maureen

Many thanks to the following for their generous donations towards the Shopping Spree:

♠ Leanne Mulham  ♠ Georgie Fisher
♠ Sarah Metcalfe ♠ Ange Thomas
♠ Claire Wing    ♠ Kirsty Donaldson
♠ Gen Dunmore    ♠ Jenny Campion
♠ Meg Caruso     ♠ Peata Smith
♠ Rebecca Strong ♠ Sonia Simpson
♠ Sue Mulligan   ♠ Belinda McCallum

Celebrating Christmas after Separation

From Libby Barker (Intereach)

In the years after a family separation a celebration can be distressing. Things which were part of the day before the separation need to be changed. For some of the day many members of the family will not be able to be with the people they most care about. The celebration can trigger again the grief and anger felt about a separation.

If possible arrange for the children to spend some time on the day with each of their parents and their families, but remember that too much travelling can tip the balance from excitement into overstimulation and tears.

You need to plan so the children have a turn with each parent and their relatives - so children and parents and grandparents don’t miss out. Some families tell their children that separated families are lucky because their celebration lasts longer. They spread it out over 2 days, each taking turns on who has the celebration on the actual day.

If you are on your own for all or part of the day, plan ahead for what you will do, don’t wait to be asked - take the initiative and ask someone else who is on their own to share with you.

Children will enjoy the day more if they know that their parents are taking care of themselves. Try to arrange time with close friends if you cannot be with your children. Spend as much time taking care of yourself on the day as you do for the children and all of you are likely to enjoy the day more.

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Men at Work have hit the lead after a win last week.

We’re proud to support school banking at your School.

Call in and see us at 303 Cressy Street, Deniliquen or phone 5881 3081.

The parent or guardian will need to satisfy the criteria for the 100 point identification check. The Piggy Bank Passbook Account is issued by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, The Bendigo Centre, Bendigo VIC 3550. This material contains general advice only. Please consider your situation and read the Terms and Conditions available from any Bendigo Bank branch or visit our website www.bendigobank.com.au before making any decision. ABN 11 068 049 178, AFSL 237873 (02/20)
Pedlars’ Parade—This Friday
The annual Grade 6 Pedlars’ Parade (mini-fete) will be held this Friday from 11:25am.
Activities and stalls include:
- Boot throwing
- Animal Nursery
- Obstacle course
- Billy-cart rides
- Food and drink (slushie) stalls
- Face painting
- Coin toss

.....and heaps more
Prices range from 50c to $2.
All money raised will go towards the Grade 6 gift to the school.
Students are requested to raid the money-box and bring along some loose change on the day. Around $5-$10 would be more than enough!

Proud and Deadly Awards—Today
Indigenous students to receive school-based awards, today at the annual ‘Proud and Deadly  Ceremony’ were:

- Catriona Vickery—excellence in all areas
- Coby Smith—encouragement
- Reece Weir—encouragement
- Shaniah Smith—encouragement
- Shyanne Smith—encouragement
- Harley Hicks—academic achievement
- April Weir—citizenship

Congratulations to all on such fine achievements!

Red Ball Tennis Team Departs
The North tennis team of: Eloise Ritchie, Eimear Gogarty, Duncan Hughes and Tom Cochrane, will be on representative duties next week at the National Red Ball Hotshots tournament to be held in Melbourne at the National Tennis Centre, and unfortunately will not be able to join us on presentation day.
This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for our students, and although the timing of the event is not great, the team goes with our full approval and support.
Rumour has it, that although not physically in attendance at the RSL on Wednesday, the team just might yet, defy all the laws of time and space, and mysteriously, make an appearance on presentation day.

Grade 6 Farewell Desserts—Can You Help?
If you have the culinary panache and like whipping up desserts by the dozen, then have we a job for you! Maureen would dearly love some offers of desserts for the Grade 6 Farewell on Tuesday, December 16. Please contact Maureen at the canteen if you can assist!
"RING! RING!....Hello, Maureen!...Hoges here!... I can defrost my specialty if ya like.....Sara Lee Blueberry Danish"
I was running down the street with my friend. She dared me to see how far I could go, walking backwards. I started to walk backwards, but suddenly…. I ran into a pole! I fell flat to the ground and got real bad concussion.

My friend yelled out for help and a kind, old lady came along to give me CPR, even though I only had concussion. That’s when I started blowing up like a balloon……

Beginning by Sophie Willis

GONE FISHING

One day I went fishing. I had never caught a fish before. Then I caught something. It was black and scary and it looked evil. I pulled it onto the boat. It wasn’t a monster it was an old smelly boot with a fish in it.

By Ella Marshall

THE SHADOW

One morning I woke up because I heard someone, or something blowing something up, but I didn’t know what it was. So, I went outside with the flashlight and turned it on, and all I saw was a shadow……

A Mysterious beginning by Jessica Hillier

THE SUPER-SUCKER

……I go through a massive tube and fall into a massive room……I run around the room, helplessly trying to get out, and then I remember the monkey that we keep in the closet, in case of emergencies. I grab him, and grab onto his leg. He climbs up the tube……

Excerpts from Kira Dickie