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Newsletter: Term 3 Week 6 (23/8/11)

FROM THE SCHOOL ON A HILL

Principal's Awards

Last week's champions are:

- Charlee Pitt– working well
- Oliver Wilson– fantastic excursion behavior and great questions
- Charlie Wallace– big reading improvements
- Emma McCallum– fabulous drama efforts
- Jason Higgins– improved writing
- Jackie Thorpe– excellent application to Murder Under the Microscope research
- Phoebe McCrabb– impressive musical talents
- Mitchell Hill– excellent library artwork
- Charlie Dudley– generating great literacy questions

GOLD! GOLD! GOLD!



Cody Learmonth, Emma McCallum, Reece Weir and Jordan Amor proudly show their GOLD certificates and prizes. Nice one kids!

What's New on the Website?

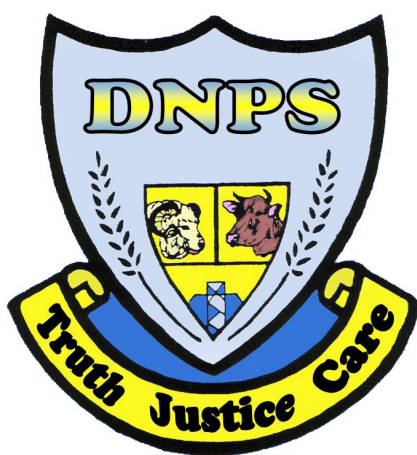
- This newsletter
- Altina Wildlife Park photos in 'Gallery'
- Poems in 'Nothing But Class' section by **Elissa Galpen, Sophie Stringer, Emma McCallum, Jack King, Oscar Erard-Farmer, Kyeasha Ross, Phoebe McCrabb, Isabelle Dudley, Blair Sartore, Edwina Arthur, Jayme Glanvill and John Allitt**

Reminders

- The payment of **School fees** would be gratefully accepted. At this point in time, less than 50% of our families have paid, creating a shortfall of around \$4000, that can be spent on resources and programs for students.
Fees per annum are: \$80 for a single student and \$95 for a family
- **Ballarat excursion**-3rd instalment of \$50 due by the end of term

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event
NB. A full listing of calendar events for the year is on the school webpage and is updated weekly.	
24/8	North Book Fair
25/8	Book Fair continues
25/8	Bookweek Parade-1:50pm
26/8	Little Athletics Running Clinic-11:25am
26/8	Debating team v. Barham Red
26/8	Kidzlink-session 2
26/8	Petshow at 1:45pm on oval
29/8	National Littracree and Numeracy Week
29/8	Numeracy Round Robin 11:25am-1:55pm
30/8	North Poetry Writing Competition
31/8	Leo Barry Funday for Grades 3/4



Deniliquin North Public School

Kinder Orientation Program -2011

Venue: Kindergarten Classroom

Session 1

Friday, October 28

(includes info session with Principal)

Time: 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Session 2

Friday, November 4

Time: 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Session 3

Friday, November 11

Time: 12 noon to 3:00pm

Any queries phone the school on
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Debating Team into District Final

Report by Mrs Hunter

On Tuesday 16th August, the DNPS debating team had their third round match against Denilquin South. The topic for the debate was "Australian circuses should be banned from using animals". Our team lost the coin toss and had to debate the negative. After only one hour of preparation time the debate took place in the hall and was well supported by Stage 2 and 3 students, the team's coach and excited family members. Our first speaker was Isabel Osborne. She argued clearly and passionately and extolled the team line, "That animals complete the circus". Isabel was followed by Edwina Arthur as second speaker. She rebutted beautifully and presented the remaining team arguments with great examples. The final rebuttal and summation was left for Amelia McCrabb in her role of third speaker, which she did in exemplary fashion. Isabel Dudley, our 4th speaker, ably assisted the team with ideas for rebuttal. After some consideration, the outcome of the debate was decided in our favour by Mrs Hallinen, the adjudicator. It should be mentioned that South's debaters did a fantastic job and argued well for their side. This fabulous result means there has been a tie for this area (never before accomplished that I know of!) and the DNPS debating team is now required to fight it out again, against a very polished Barham Red team. This debate will take place in Barham this Thursday and we wish the girls all the best. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my father, Brian Hopper, for his expertise and ongoing commitment to our debating teams. I would also like to thank Mrs Hallinen for her detailed and greatly appreciated feedback and the parents for their attendance, enthusiasm and support. In particular, I would like to commend the team. They have demonstrated

excellent skill and have been outstanding ambassadors for our school.

Book Fair and Book Parade This Week

Book Fair

Students will compile a wish list of books that they'd like on Wednesday. This list should come home that afternoon, with books available for actual purchase the following day, Thursday.

Book Parade

All welcome to this spectacular event. On Thursday from 1:50pm on the top assembly area. Dress as a book-related character.

Little Athletics' Running Clinic

Visit by Little Athletics to conduct a clinic for runners in school athletics team. On Friday, between 11:25 and 12pm. Maximum of 30 to participate.

Rescheduled Petshow

Following last week's postponement, disappointed dogs, cowering cats and angry animals of all sorts, get another crack at this big event this Friday from 1:45pm. All gorillas must be caged!

We Value Values

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

"Fair Play"

- Marion Blease– playing fairly and happily
- Shaienne Schwartzkopff– playing fairly and nicely
- Emily Manzin– happily playing by the rules
- Rosie North– always considerate and playing fairly
- Stevi-Ann Rosenow– playing by the rules
- Will Arthur– fair, considerate and inclusive
- Alex Hall– fair and trustworthy
- India Hicks-acting fairly in library
- Jhi Dudley– encouraging younger children to play happily

This week's value will be: 'Sharing'

National Literacy and Numeracy Week

Next Monday sees the beginning of National Literacy and Numeracy week. In amongst all the usual literacy and numeracy activities there will be 3 special events at North during the week, namely:

Numeracy Round Robin

Next Monday, between 11:25 and lunch! Students to rotate through some fun mathematical activities.

Poetry Competition

Big prizes for the very best entries in next week's competition, as well as many consolation and encouragement awards. Check out the winners-coming soon!

Hilltop Heroes and North Star Magazines

New editions of these best selling magazines to hit the streets next week.

Student Rep Council Minutes from 9/8/11

Jeans for Genes Day raised \$190

- Motion from 2/3H: To get bubblers near the oval-Carried

Principal: A good idea but huge cost factor

- Motion from 3/4H: To have a mini Olympics-Carried

Principal: Nice idea. SRC to coordinate this for a Friday in next term

- Motion from 5/6S: New mirrors and soap in senior toilets-Carried

Principal: No chance of new mirrors in the near future.

Prepared to trial soap-SRC to discuss further with Principal

- Motion from 5/6HB: The school has a pyjama day fundraiser and the money to go towards shoeboxes-Carried

Principal: No worries. Great to see funds going towards such a good cause. SRC to organise PJ day and a date

Wayne Bradley's Retirement Celebration

Parents and interested persons are invited to his send-off to be held at the High School MPC on Saturday, September 17 from 7pm.

The cost is \$35 per head (tickets from Edward PS by Sept 7) which includes light supper and a contribution to a gift.

Over bar facilities provided with entertainment by 'Big Fallout'.

For more details contact:

Kim Roebuck 0427816200, Anthony Bradley 0414837381 or EPS 58812612.

Canteen Roster

Wednesday	L Doidge A Crispe
Thursday	K Paton G Arthur
Friday	J Manzin
Monday	M Dudley
Tuesday	N Ritchie A Ferguson

CANTEEN NEWS

Gluten Free Items at the Canteen

These include:

Popcorn, Red Rock Sea Salt Chips, Jelly Cups, Bulla Light ice cream, Bulla Fruit yoghurt, Callippo, Chocolate Moosies, Rainbow paddlepops, Paddlepop Icy twist, Nippy ice chocolate and strawberry milk, Orange juice, Wonka nerds (Fridays only), Slushies and Cheesies (Wed and Friday) on gluten free bread.

PSSA Athletics Catering a Great Fundraiser

An amazing profit of \$1285 was made by the canteen, after catering for the District Athletics carnival. Many thanks to Georgie Arthur, Sue Mulligan, Pat Boon and Janette Borella for running the canteen on the day, and thanks also to all who helped out with cakes and other donations.

Fathers' Day Stall

From Mikki Amor

Father's Day is coming up!

Our kids love this time of the year - picking out that something- a little gift for their Dads, Grandpas, Carers and Uncles to let them know how special they are.

We are looking for some donations to help with this.

Some ideas: chocolates, nice smellies, cups, key-rings, tools etc. If you could kindly wrap in clear cello would be even more appreciated as you know if we could all do a little to help it would make the load lighter.

All donations can be dropped into the school office by Tuesday 30th August.

The gifts will be sold from \$1 to \$5 on the Thursday 1st September.

If you do have time to spare we are always in need of help prior to set up and on the day.

Any questions please contact me 0411 301918

Many Thanks

Parent Line

Have you ever found yourself saying or doing something to your child that you promised you would never do, before you became a parent? Before you had kids, you were never going to be like your Mum who always reminded you how good you had it and how spoilt you were, or like your Dad, who regularly humiliated you by yelling at you from the sidelines on the football field. Now, you find yourself doing the same thing with your own kids. This is the difference between our intentions and our actions, between our values and methods.

Whilst our intentions as parents, are usually good ones, in that we generally aim to guide and help our children, sometimes our methods are not consistent with our intentions and we know from our own experience, that they are not effective.

We may also complain that our children do not listen to us, when we forget that they are watching everything we do, our values, our attitudes and the feelings behind our behaviour. In the words of Franklin Jones "Children are unpredictable. You never know what inconsistency they are going to catch in you next."

Although it is impossible for anyone to be 100% consistent, it is important for us to strive for consistency between our values and actions or for us to 'walk the talk'. How much harder for example, is it for a parent who smokes, to try to influence their teenager son or daughter, not to smoke. Spotting inconsistency in other parents, is much easier than recognizing it in ourselves. How many times have you witnessed another parent doing one of the following with little or limited success?

- Yelling at a child to 'stop shouting'
 - Smacking a child after they have hit another child
- Losing patience with a child who is being impatient
- As parents, we are lifelong teachers to our children, but need to be aware that many of the things we try to teach our children are in fact, not 'teachable' but rather learned through experience and by following our example. Arguably, the most important and enduring example that we can set for our children, is how we express and manage our own feelings. It can be helpful for parents to pause, occasionally to consider "Am I practicing what I preach?" and "Are my teaching aims and my methods consistent?"

Children can push "our buttons" or find our vulnerabilities like no-one else. As well as experiencing enormous love and pride in them, we can also experience intense negative emotions towards them, such as frustration, anxiety and irritation.

Being aware of our feelings and expectations and trying to respond in a more calm and controlled manner, provides a good example for children to follow and helps keep relationships on track. This is no easy feat and it would be unrealistic and maybe unhealthy to expect that we can do this all the time.

Some of the strategies that parents have identified which help to do this include:

- Creating a pause or breather in a tense situation, by going for a walk, to the bathroom, making a cup of tea etc
- Having a mantra or phrase that a parent can si-

lently repeat to themselves, such as "Stay calm", "It's my job to be bigger, stronger, wiser, kinder"

- Deep breathing or other activities that can help calm you in the moment

Regular self-care and relaxation strategies. The more stressed and tired we are, the harder it is to find a way to be calm

If you want to talk about your child's behaviour with one of our professional counsellors, call 1300 130052 or visit our website www.parentline.org.au for tips sheets and parenting stories.

Have a great week!
Chris Hogan

Term Pointscore

<u>Team</u>	<u>Pts</u>	
CATTLE RUSTLERS	11	<i>The Rustlers rounded up the opposition in last week's comp., but Farmers and Herders share the lead.</i>
SHEEP HERDERS	14	
WORM FARMERS	14	
TURKEY GOBBLERS	13	

Great Ideas From the clever Kids at NORTH



THIS WEEK'S THINKING TASK was.....

You have been sucked into a giant balloon. You take out your mobile phone and make a call.

What do you say?

- "Dominic, I can't play footy, I'm stuck in the bubble!".... **By Sam Dudley**
- "Police!-Please help me! I'm stuck in a big balloon!"... **By Bella Lewis**
- "Sorry to interrupt you but it seems I am stuck in a balloon. Help me! Help! Oh dear!"... **By Sophie Willis** calling the police
- "Police!-Can you help me or can you bring a flying monkey?"... **By Jhi Dudley**
- "Hi! Second cousin, once removed grandfather's nieces, cousin Betty. I was just wondering if you had a pin. I realize you live in Iceland, but if you could just mail it here, I am sure I can survive in this bubble for a week.".... **By Edwina Arthur**
- "Aunty Mikki!-Can you please send up a hair brush?-My hair has gone frizzy!".... **By Bridie Howe**
- "Hey Mandy! You know that shirt you lent me that you can't wear when you go on planes, because of the air pressure?-You aren't going to see it again!"... **By Isabel Osborne**
- "Hi Woody! I need your advise on how to pop a balloon, and, when I get out of this balloon, please don't comment on my high-pitched voice.".... **By Alex Hall**
- "Police! Police! Get the string! The balloon is cracked! I am going to Mars, but I don't like Mars."... **By Eimear Gogarty**
- "Police! Police! It is a miracle! The balloon is stuck in a tree so can you call the fire department so they can get me down.".... **By Charlie Dudley**
- "Zoe! Samantha! Can you save me? You will see me in the sky -floating!".... **By Storm Barlow**
- "Hey Dad!" You know how you were going to buy me a sewing kit for my birthday but Granny thought it was too dangerous?..Well, I really need it now!"... **By Sophie Stringer**
- "Will! Get me out of this balloon now. Get a shotgun and get me out."... **By Tom Thorpe**
- "Police! Police! Police! Come and get me out of this dark place. I'm feeling sick! I need a bucket!".... **By Kasey Shore**



Expect the Unexpected!!

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Great Ideas From the clever Kids at NORTH



- “Police! Help me! I need your help. I’m going to die!”... **By Ryan Borella-Holschier**
- “Mum! Come out here! I got sucked into a balloon. Can you please pop it for me?”... **By Layney Rowe**
- “Steph! Steph! Steph! Someone’s trapped me in a giant balloon. I’m too fat to die!”... **By Calypso McKenzie**

Intereach welcomes Dr John Irvine Child Psychologist

An opportunity not to be missed

Intereach extends an invitation to all parents to hear from one of Australia’s most renowned child psychologists, a rare opportunity to benefit from the knowledge of this world class presenter, author and media identity on raising young children.



Free entry and supper provided

Deniliquin: Thursday 27 October, 7pm – 9pm

at the Deniliquin High School MPC

Moama: Friday 28 October, 7pm – 9pm

at the Moama Bowling Club, Shaw St

RSVP BY 20 OCTOBER

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