

# **DENILIQUIN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL** PO Box 449, Deniliquin, 2710

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# NEWSLETTER: TERM 1 WEEK 10 1/4/2025

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

DATE	Event	
Wednesday 2nd April	World Autism Awareness Day (Wear something blue)	
Thursday 3rd April	Tennis DNPS vs Hay in Hay	
Friday 4th April	Netball trials @ Memorial Oval Assembly @ 12.30 in the Hall - 1/2T presenting class item P&C Family Fun Colour Run	
Monday 7th April	Cricket DNPS vs Finley PS @ South School @ 9.30am	
Tuesday 8th April	School Photos - Please arrive to school on time to avoid delays	
Friday 11th April	Easter Hat Parade No Assembly Last day of Term 1	
Wednesday 30th April	Students return for Term 2	
Friday 1st May	Paul Kelly Cup	
Friday 9th May	Mother's Day Stall	
Friday 23rd May	DNPS Cross Country	
Friday 30th May	District Cross Country	

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

## **Mobile Devices**

In our ongoing effort to ensure a safe and focused learning environment, I would like to remind all parents and students of our mobile device policy. I understand the need for some students to have access to a device to be able to contact family after school when attending different activities or travelling between families. Students are not permitted to use mobile phones or devices at school, including during recess and lunch. Any student who brings a mobile device, such as a phone, smartwatch or Ipad, needs to leave it at the office in the morning and then collect it at the end of the school day. This arrangement helps us to maintain a distraction-free environment conducive to learning and social development. We appreciate your cooperation in supporting students' safety and learning.

## Hats and Jumpers

We would like to remind everyone to label your child's hat and jumper with their name. This helps us return any misplaced hats to their owners quickly. Could we also ask that you check that your child has the right hat with their name on it. Thank you for your support in keeping our students sun safe! With the cold weather approaching the number of jumpers left around the school will increase and it is easier to be able to return these if they are labelled clearly.

## Sporting News

This Thursday the school tennis team is taking on Hay PS in our first match of the Victor J Kelly Cup. Charlotte, Isla, Ned and Hugo will be trying to emulate the success of a couple of years ago when three of their siblings made it to the state finals.

'DNPS was built on the land of the Wamba Wamba and Perrepa Perrepa people. We pay our respects to generations past, present and future.'

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

In PSSA trials Jordyn and Isaac travelled to Griffith to tryout for the Riverina team but selection didn't go their way on the day. This week Miley, Stevie and Charlotte are trying out for Girls representative Netball and we wish them the best of luck.

#### World Autism Day

Tomorrow is World Autism Understanding Day and all students are welcome to wear blue. This could be just our school uniform with a touch of blue or completely casual in blue. It is about students feeling comfortable and a way to start a conversation about understanding how autism impacts the lives of students and adults.

#### **Colour Run**

This Friday evening it is the P&C Colour Run. I hope everyone is able to take part in this event that our students love. It is also a wonderful way to raise funds to make the school more colourful by updating the murals in the top playground. Classes are devising different obstacles to make the run challenging and fun.

#### 2025 Student Reports

This year we are introducing updated school reports. The new format has been developed by the NSW Department of Education in response to feedback from parents and educators to make reports easier to read and understand. Your child's report will still show their progress across all subject areas. Teacher comments for students in years 1-6 will appear in English, mathematics and the general comment section, in line with department policy. The general comment for Kindergarten also covers all other key learning areas including, creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, and science and technology. A new achievement scale and descriptions are included to provide a clearer picture of your child's progress. Parent-teacher interviews remain an important way to discuss your child's progress and achievement in more detail.

### SDD Term 2

At the start of next term there will be two staff development days. The first is a statewide day on High Potential and Gifted Education. The second is for teachers to collaboratively plan and program for student learning. Students return on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> of April.

## **PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS**

Term 1 Week 9 champions were:

- Dimitrios Bouziotis
- Henry Pearce
- Tia Penrith
- Jed Chadderton
- Kobee Williams
- Pippa Holden
- Miley Hussey

## WE VALUE VALUES

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

## 'Care for self and others.'

- Angus Donaldson
- Mackenzie Sutton
- Freddie Haworth
- Bill Doherty
- Willy Eastman
- Omari Atkinson
- Ruby Thommers

## **DNPS VIP PLAYGROUND AWARD WINNERS**

Well done to the following students who last week received an award for exemplary conduct in the playground.

- Sophie Pearce
  - Archie McKern

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- Clancy Grimwood
- Freddie Haworth



<b>CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 1</b>				
Wk	MONDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
5	Rachael Allitt	Trish Hebbard	Heidi Fisicaro	
6	Renee Bull	Di Gallpen	Hope Spalding	
_7	Ange Carmichael	Anna Doherty	Emily Small	
		Emma Barker		
	Rence Bull	Jess Butcher	Lauren Ryan	
_ <u>_</u>	Estee Gatacre	Victoria Gatasre	Haylee Chad	
10	Emma Browne	Kylie lees	Jaimie Milliken	
11	Zara Holden	Sarah Hooke	Ali Macdonald	

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP. ANGE 0408915996



Congratulations to Leroy Fisicaro on achieving Superstar status.



# EASTER HAT PARADE

On Friday 11th April, we will be holding our annual 'Easter Hat Parade'. This will be held at 9am under the top Cola.

All students are encouraged to decorate a hat for the day. Students in years 5 and 6 may colour and decorate their hair if they'd prefer but are welcome to still make a hat.

The categories for Easter hats are:

Best 'own creation' (made by the child)

Most colourful hat

Most creative hat

**Best Recycled Materials hat** 

Best Autumn hat

Judge's choice

Students in years 5 and 6 may colour or decorate their hair on the day. The categories for hair decorations are:



# MOTHER'S DAY STALL DONATIONS

Could we please ask families to start bringing in donations such as toiletries, chocolates, homewares etc for the Mother's Day Stall. Items will be sold for \$1 - \$10.

Thank you!

## HEALTHY HAROLD

On Thursday and Friday last week and Monday this week all our classes visited the Healthy Harold van.

They learnt about all sorts of beneficial life topics including social and emotional wellbeing, safety, physical health, the online world, friendships, respect and resilience.







## SENSORY OVERLOAD

3/4G & 3/4PCB have been studying the book "The thing about Oliver" which is about a boy who has autism. Yesterday the two classes created mayhem in the hall to simulate what it might be like living with autism and how sensory overload would feel. It involved loud music with instruments and on the speaker, lots of talking, lights flashing on and off, all the while trying to follow a recipe to mix ingredients by hand to make play dough. It was quite a different experience!









# What is autism?

Shaping the future for Autism.

Autism is a lifelong neurodevelopmental disability that affects the way that people communicate and interact with others. All autistic people are unique.

However, autistic people may display some of the characteristics in the two main areas below:

# Social communication and interaction

#### Finds two-way conversations difficult

- May find it difficult to start, maintain, or end a conversation
- May find it hard to stay on topic

# Needs help to interact with others

- May prefer to be alone
  May want to join in but not know how
- May find it difficult to form and maintain social relationships

#### Seems uninterested

- May avoid eye contact
- May not respond to name
- May appear to be in their own world

# Needs help with communication

- May have delayed or limited speech
- May tend to interpret language literally
- May have a large vocabulary but struggle with social use of language

# Difficulty reading social cues or situations

- May find it hard to read body language, facial expressions, and tone of voice
- May need help to understand when a behaviour is appropriate

# Behaviour, interests and activities

# Under- or over-responsive senses

- May have unusual reactions to what they see, hear, smell, touch or taste etc
- May need regular movement breaks

#### **Narrow interests**

- May have an intense interest in one topic
- May have an interest that is unusual
- May have an unusual level of interest in a topic

# autism, connect

For more information about autism, contact Autism Connect to speak with one of our autism advisors:

## Call: 1300 308 699

Email, Webchat and Search: amaze.org.au/autismconnect

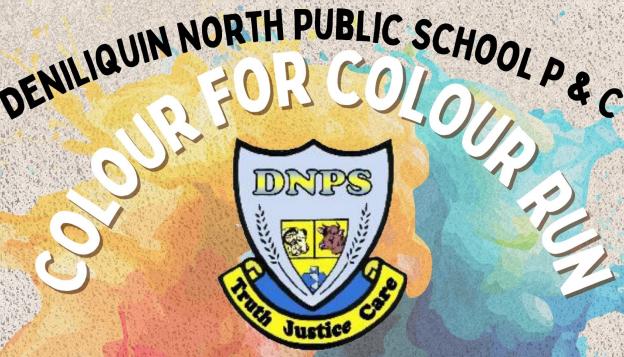
#### Prefers structure and routine

- May need structure or routine to help process information
- May need to be prepared and supported to try new things
- May need support and time when transitioning to a new activity, e.g. switching off a video game to go into doctor's office
- May need support with planning tasks and time management

#### **Repetitive behaviours & body movements**

- May repeat the same action over and over e.g. lining up objects or watching the same movie repeatedly
- May display echolalia (repeating words or phrases)
  May display hand-flapping, spinning, rocking etc. This is also called stimming
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# FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 5PM START 5.45PM COLOUR RUN \$10/DNPS FAMILY

SAUSAGE SIZZLE \$3 BURGERS \$5 SLUSHIES \$2.50

**NOVELTY EVENTS FROM \$2** 

**SWEAT BANDS & GLASSES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE** 

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### DENILIQUIN HIGH SCHOOL'S YEAR 5 & 6 OPEN EVENING WEDNESDAY 2 APRIL 2025 5:00PM - 6:30PM

#### Come see for yourself what we have to offer!

Join us for an exciting opportunity to explore our school, meet our dedicated staff, and learn about our programs and facilities.

#### Event Details:

- Date: Wednesday, April 2, 2025
- Time: 5:00 PM 6:30 PM
- Location: Deniliquin High School, Harfleur Street, Deniliquin NSW 2710

Discover our diverse curriculum, extracurricular activities, and supportive learning environment. We look forward to welcoming you and answering any questions you may have.

#### We can't wait to meet you!

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# HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

MON
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MON

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Public

Holiday





Learn VR 30 minute session

TUE

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Learn VR

30 minute

session



Bracelet Making 2pm

FD

Slime FUN!

2pm



Painting with Artist-Narges Dashti 2pm-4pm



Wooden Frame Making 2pm



Public Holiday

FRI

25

**Public** 

Holiday



SAT 26



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