Firstly, welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had a very enjoyable Easter holiday. I have spoken to quite a few of our students over the past two weeks, and they all seemed rested and ready to accept the challenges of a new term.

The start of the term has been particularly busy here at Deniliquin High School with numerous major events and occasions already taking place in the school.

**Staff Development Day**
The staff at Deniliquin High School were involved in a Staff Development Day on Monday 20th April. Staff Development Days are very important for the school, as it is an opportunity for staff to be involved in initiatives/programs such as professional learning and mandatory training. This valuable development flows on to the students through their teachers in the classroom environment.

**ANZAC Assembly**
Our ANZAC assembly was held last Friday. This was a very special assembly, being the 100 year anniversary of the ANZAC. The assembly was very successful, acknowledging the commitment and sacrifice that has been made to create our country as we know it today. This year our assembly incorporated the involvement of the Army Cadets who displayed considerable commitment and discipline. The DHS drama group also performed a play, highlighting the perspectives of soldiers and people on the home front during the time our country was at war. Thank you to Mr Brian Clancy who attended as a representative of the Deniliquin RSL Sub-branch.

**Dawn Service and ANZAC March**
It was a pleasure to be at the ANZAC day Dawn Service this year, accompanying our Captains and Vice Captains, to commemorate this significant occasion. Additionally, I was later very proud to march with our students and staff at the morning service.

**Formal Assembly**
On Thursday last week we had our first Formal Assembly for the year. The nature of our Formal Assemblies is to celebrate the successes of the school as a whole, and, of course, the students. There was certainly plenty to celebrate on this occasion, with many students receiving awards. I was delighted to address the student body and remind them of our successes during Term 1 and also to highlight the amount of opportunity that is available to students at our school. As I stated during the assembly, I firmly believe that our students are very well catered for here at Deniliquin High School. Congratulations to the students who received awards, and for those who missed out, I would like to remind them to always give their best effort. By exercising our PBL values of Respect, Responsibility and Co-operation, I’m sure success will follow.

**Athletics Carnival**
The DHS 2015 Athletics Carnival was held Wednesday of this week. The organisation of such events takes a considerable amount of effort. A big thank you must go to Miss Norman for her time, organisation and commitment, to ensure the success of the carnival. Congratulations to the students, especially, those who achieved places in the various events.

**Winter Uniform**
Students should be in winter school uniform by the beginning of next week. The weather is getting progressively cooler so please ensure that your child has adequate warm clothing for school. If you have difficulties obtaining winter school uniform for your child, please contact the school and we may be able to assist.

**School Plan Surveys**
Thank you to the parents that completed the online survey last term. Your input is greatly appreciated, and has been taken into consideration in the development of the School Plan.

**Riverina AFL Trials**
Nine students attended the Murray Riverina U16 AFL Trials in Albury on 23 April 2015. Congratulations to Sid Pearn and Jayden Caniglia who were successful in gaining selection in the team. These boys will attend the state carnival in Sydney in Week 7

Peter Astill
Acting Principal
English/LOTE

Students have had a fantastic start to the term in English and Italian; they have returned fresh from their break bright-eyed and eager to learn! Year 11 students are currently preparing for their first Preliminary English exam, which they will sit in Week 5. They should be settling into a revision schedule at home in order to achieve the best results.

Students have also been involved in a variety of drama activities and auditions, complementing their study of Drama in English. Some students have been chosen to attend the prestigious Riverina Drama Camp in May and students have also auditioned for the a production of ‘Beneath Oxbow Lake’, directed by Paige Rattray, who is part of the Sydney Theatre Company. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students to take part in performances in Griffith, Deniliquin and Sydney. The drama performance at the ANZAC assembly was a credit to the skills of both the students involved and their mentors, Ms Harley and Miss Rundell-Gordon, who also wrote the script for the piece.

NAPLAN 2015

On Tuesday 12 May, Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May, students from Years 7 and 9 in every Australian school will participate in the National Assessment Plan Literacy and Numeracy.

At Deniliquin High School, the staff find the results of this assessment invaluable in reviewing existing programs and planning future ones. It is essential that all students attend school for these assessments. A note has been given to all Year 7 and 9 students with further details.

The assessment timetable is as follows;

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Students are required to bring an eraser for all assessments and a calculator for the Calculator Numeracy Assessment.

It is also advisable to bring a book/magazine.

ANZAC Visit

On the Thursday before Anzac Day some Year 8 students were treated to a visit by John Trist from the Deniliquin RSL Sub-Branch who spoke to the students about World War 1 and in particular the Gallipoli landings. Students learnt about the harsh conditions the Australian soldiers had to endure and the type of equipment the soldiers used in this campaign. Mr Trist bought along a 303 pump-action rifle complete with bayonet from the First World War.

He also bought a slouch hat with a rising sun badge and a statue of Simpson and his donkey. The students were then able to ask questions and hold the rifle under the close supervision of Mr Trist. On behalf of Deniliquin High School I would like to thank Mr Trist for giving up his time to deliver such an engaging and informative presentation.

Mrs Sue Laing
English
Winter Breakfast Program
The DHS Winter Breakfast Program will commence on Wednesday 6th May and will continue for Terms 2 and 3. The program is staffed by volunteers from the Combined Deniliquin Churches. A breakfast of bacon and eggs is available to all students at no cost. Funds to conduct this program are provided by donations from the Deniliquin Community.

Year 10 Sydney Excursion
Monday 9th November to Friday 13th November

A note detailing the payment instalment plan for the remaining balance of $530 was handed to students on Monday and will need to be paid in one of the following ways:

- **One payment**
  $530 due on or before Friday 16th September

- **Two payments**
  $265 due on or before Friday 19th June
  $265 due on or before Friday 16th September

- **Eight payments**
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 15th May
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 5th June
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 19th June
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 24th July
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 14th August
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 4th September
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 18th August
  $66.25 due on or before Friday 16th October

Please choose the payment option that best suits you and ensure that money is paid to the front office by the due date.

Sue Laing
Yr 10 Adviser

Vacation Cooking Program
The Home Economics Faculty ran a Vacation Cooking Day in the second week of the holidays. Fourteen primary school children enjoyed a fun day where they cooked Anzac biscuits for morning tea, pizza for lunch and made yummy Banana Muffins for afternoon tea. They also designed using felt in the Textiles Room. The children thoroughly enjoyed it. It is a great day for children to familiarise themselves with the High School. Thank you to Kendl Cramer for volunteering her time to do the Textiles activity on the day.

Nicole Jenkins
Head Teacher (TAS)

Community and Family Studies
On Wednesday of the last week of Term 2, the Year 11 Community and Family Studies class visited the Deniliquin Preschool. Students conducted observations of the children in order to gain an understanding of researching behavior and interactions of individuals. Students conducted participant and non-participant observations and they evaluated this form of research, including its benefits and limitations. Thank you to Deniliquin Preschool for allowing us to visit. It was an enjoyable experience for the preschool children and the big children!
Athletics Carnival
The Athletics Carnival saw students and staff enjoy a day filled with competitive spirit at Memorial Park on April 29. The annual event saw students compete in a variety of track and field events; 800m, 400m, 400m walk, 200m, 100m, shot put, discus, javelin and long jump. Students also had the opportunity to test their motor skills in the novelty events, earning extra points for their house and providing each other with some entertainment. There was great representation across all age groups with some record breaking performances. Twelve students set new records:

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Congratulations all students who participated and achieved points for their house. It was a close contest between the sporting houses with the lead changing throughout the day. The final results for both age champions and house places will be announced at assembly on Wednesday.

The ‘All Stars’ 100m sprint was held at the end of the day to determine who would claim title of the fastest boy and fastest girl in the school. In order to qualify students needed to make the entry time in their age race; sub-14 seconds for boys and sub-16 seconds for girls. The finalists for the boys were Drew Larcombe, Todd Marshall, Drew Warren, Zac Godfrey, Ben Currie, Eric Leech, David Leech and Jordan Trencher. Todd Marshall took the title of the fastest student at the school in a photo finish, with Drew Larcombe in second and David Leech third. The finalists for the girls were Mia Pearn, Abbey Smith, Jackie Thorpe, Kayla Smith, Beth Mills, Pip Metcalfe, Mackenzie Cheeseman and Steph Maher. Kayla Smith proved to be the fastest girl, with Abbey Smith in second and Jackie Thorpe third.

A new event was added to the end-of-day excitement: a staff versus Year 12 tug-o-war. Despite the collective muscle of Year 12 students, the staff team managed to win the event 2-1. The star performer on the winning team was Mr Kiley, who relinquished the microphone to help staff to victory. Year 11 have assured staff that they are starting weights training immediately, in anticipation of next year’s showdown.
The final event of the day was the staff versus student relay. The red hot staff team consisted of Mrs Laing, Miss Wahanui, Miss Gallagher, Mr Perizzolo, Mr Bradley and Mr Blake. Each house found their six best runners (one from each year) to challenge the staff. Unfortunately, this year Colligen were too quick for the staff team and they were defeated in the final leg by the streak of fire that was Todd Marshall.

All students should be proud of their achievements on the day. Students that finished first or second in an age event qualify for the Zone Athletics Carnival. This will be held on Friday May 29 in Finley.
Careers News

Year 12 Moving Forward Evening – Wednesday May 13

We would like to encourage all parents and students of Year 12 to attend this information session regarding post-secondary options. The evening has been organised to assist students and parents with the decision-making process. The evening will kick off up in the library from 7pm on Wednesday May 13. Information regarding a range of considerations including, Centrelink, cadetships, scholarships, apprenticeships, university etc… has been organised. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Parents as Careers Assistants

We understand the struggle that many parents have when trying to assist their children make informed career choices. Our website www.denihighcareers.com contains links to valuable information and search tools that parents and students can access together. This exploration can begin at any age, even at primary school, and it is never too late to start.

Please remember that we are only too happy to meet with you on an individual basis and give advice or help you navigate your way through some helpful career exploration tools. Contact us via the Front Office and set up an appointment.

HSC Timetables

Student’s individual HSC timetables were to be released on BOSTES Students Online on Wednesday 29th April. There has been a slight delay and at the time that this was written, students were still waiting. Keep trying! These timetables will allow students to plan their HSC study and know when they will start and finish their exams. All Year 12 students should be registered for Students Online and will need their BOSTES Number and PIN to access their timetable.

Mrs Van Lieshout has forwarded a general HSC timetable to each student’s email account in order to circumvent the delay.

Year 10 Work Experience – June 1 to June 5

Work Experience is nearly upon us! We would like to remind students that they MUST organise employers for work experience in Week 7. The dates are June 1 to June 5 inclusive. Students need to phone or see the employer and request the opportunity to come and work with their organisation for that week. If you are experiencing difficulty in finding an employer please come in and speak to us in the Careers Office to discuss some ideas.

Year 12 Albury Excursion

Yr 12 students are travelling to Albury Wodonga after school on Thursday 7th May, for their annual Tertiary Trip. They will be visiting a range of institutions including CSU Albury, La Trobe University (Wodonga), Riverina Institute Albury and Wodonga TAFE. There have been a few fortunate Yr 11 students who have been invited to attend as well as visit the TAFEs as we had a few positions available. The cost of the excursion is $60 up front, covering transport and accommodation, with students having to cover the cost of meals whilst on the trip. We would like to thank Tim Van Lieshout for driving the bus.

RMIT Big Picture Experience

RMIT University offers a number of free events designed to give students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to engage in real hands-on workshops, explore life on campus, and get behind the scenes. These events will run during the upcoming Term 2 school holidays. These activities are free but students are encouraged to register early as numbers are limited and these workshops are very popular. The following ‘Experience Days’ include –

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Year 11 Mock Interviews

It’s that time of the year again where we put out the feelers for any interested individuals and employers who would be willing to help us with our Year 11 Mock Interviews. The Mock Interviews are an opportunity for our students to upskill in the world of employment. If you are available to help us by being on an interview panel we would love to hear from you on 5881 1211. The Mock Interviews are to be held at the end of Term 2 on Wednesday 24 June and Thursday 25 June.

Country Education Foundation Canberra Experience

We received some disappointing news from CEFA over the holidays regarding the Canberra Experience. They are no longer able to offer the wonderful opportunity that over 60 of our students were afforded over the past three years. The Canberra Experience was a unique opportunity for select students to experience first-hand what university is like. Unfortunately, due to Federal funding cuts Australian National University (ANU) and University of Canberra (UC) have had to withdraw their support for the program meaning that it can longer continue. We are bitterly disappointed for the students of our community as this was an excellent insight for them and a great motivator for some students to break down the barriers and misconceptions to further education.

Year 10 - Job Guide 2015

The new 2015 Job Guide is now online. This is an excellent resource for students and parents alike. We will be looking at the Job Guide over the coming weeks, particularly in light of subject selection for Year 10 in the coming term. This guide is an excellent springboard to engage in discussions about students’ future pathways. This link will take you to the “How to Use the Job Guide” page: http://www.jobguide.thegoodguides.com.au/Your-guide-to-Job-Guide
Artwork Competition

Theme: ...WHAT KEEPS YOU STRONG AND HEALTHY IN MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT...

...WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE WHEN YOUR PEERS ARE AFFECTED BY INJECTING DRUG USE, THE IMPACT OF DRUGS ON YOUR COMMUNITY OR FAMILY...

Young Aboriginal Mob from NSW
- Aged between 16-21 years can enter this Art competition.
- There are prizes to be won including iPad, phone, art materials.
- All entries will be shown at a state conference June 2015.
- Artwork due Monday 18th May 2015.
- Please see over the back for further information.

For more info contact Bonny: bbriggs@ahmrc.org.au
OR Sallie: scalmduff@ahmrc.org.au
Phone 02 92124777 or visit www.ahmrc.org.au

Artwork, poems, photos involved in this competition may be used in future Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council of NSW (AHMRC) youth projects or programs.

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

Deniliquen Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. (DLAECC)

When: Monday 18th May 2015

Where: Deniliquen Aboriginal Land Council

426 Wood St, Deniliquen

Time: 4:30pm

Agenda items and Apologies to: Matthew Daniels, President 03 5898 3726
Email: matthew.daniels.15@det.nsw.edu.au

Light refreshments will be provided

ALL WELCOME

Feel Free to bring a friend and/or other interested people.

Membership fees: $2
MISSING

Great Vic Bike Ride Jerseys

Anyone who has a Deniliquen High School GVBR cycling jersey at home please return to school ASAP.

We have over 40 students doing the ride this year and only 28 jerseys in stock. Please search your cupboards, under beds, ask previous participants etc

Sue Laing

Driver Education Committee Tips

As winter is approaching - check your windscreen wipers and make sure that they are in good condition. Check to see that your washer fluid bottle is full. And make sure that inside your windscren is clean - a simple solution of 40% methylated spirits and 60% water is good to clean with.

Safe travels from Driver Ed

Next P&C Meeting

26 May 2015

6pm, Meeting Room
Administration Building
All welcome to attend

Anyone interested receiving the P&C Minutes or other emails that go out to P&C would you kindly give your email address to the Front Office. We will then put you on our mailing list.

Kind regards from P&C

Wanted Lemons

Home Economics would love lemons donated.

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