DENMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL
Learning and Growing Together   in a Caring Environment

NEWSLETTER - Term 1, Week 11

REWARD DAY – Out of Uniform Day
This Friday, 12 April is the last day of term and the children will have a ‘Reward Day’. The “Reward Day” is part of our school’s discipline policy. We acknowledge our students’ positive behaviour, great manners, respect and tolerance towards their peers, teachers and the school. Students will participate in planned activities to celebrate the end of term. The activities include:

- The students can come to school ‘out of uniform’ as their “favourite” movie character
- Stage 3 - Bowls at the Denman Bowling Club
- Stage 2 - Outside games and then Inside games
- Stage 1 - Movie inside / Construction games outside

Well done boys and girls enjoy your reward day.

INTERRELATE – You can pay on the night!
Interrelate will be conducted tomorrow night in the 5/6 classrooms, with the first session starting at 6pm, and the second at 7.15pm.

Session 1; 6pm - is for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 - entitled “Where did I come From?”
Session 2; 7.15 - is for Year 5 & 6 - entitled “Preparing for Puberty”

Payment will be accepted on the night, if you haven’t already returned your form and money. Parents are reminded that children are not allowed to attend these sessions alone, and must be accompanied by an adult.

FRIENDLY KIDS
Cooper, Year 1 - for always greeting people in a friendly manner and with a lovely smile.
Jorja, Year 4 - for taking the initiative to clean up an untidy section of the school playground.

WONDERFUL WORKERS
2 – Matilda, Isaac, Noah B
3 – Elise, Ethan, Codon
K – Jody, Toby, Cory
6F – Georgia, William, Jack J
1 – Sasha, Jaya, Riley
6G – Alex, Daniel W, Lachlan
4 – Mylah, Nicholas Col, Jayden
5 – Kieran, Ashleigh, Darcy

ANZAC CEREMONY
Tomorrow, Wednesday 10th April we will be holding an Anzac Ceremony at school. The ceremony will be hosted by Year 6 and each class will lay a ‘wreath’ around Centenary Square. Our special guest for the service will be Mr Guy Westgate, from the Denman RSL Sub Branch. Parents are invited to attend this event if they wish.

SCHOOL FEES & EXCURSION FEES
Invoices for unpaid school fees and excursion fee were distributed this week. Please pay any unpaid fees as soon as possible.
If you still have not paid book fees please do so before the end of this term.

Rod Bryant
KINDERGARTEN CLASS REPORT
What busy workers the kindergarten students have been during their first term at “big school”. They are to be commended on the way they have applied themselves to their schoolwork! An often asked question is “can we do our sounds?” Everyone loves participating in the “Jolly Phonics” program, and the students are becoming more proficient at blending known sounds to read words. Everyone also loves participating in the interactive, smartboard activities associated with the program.

Last Friday, the students made their first attempt at writing a one-sentence recount independently. Everyone tried very hard to write some of the sounds heard in the words needed, as well as remembering to leave two finger spaces between words and end the sentence with a full stop. The students have also enjoyed reading along with the big books, the favourites being “The Hungry Giant” and “Who Sank the Boat?”

The science topic titled “Staying Alive” has focused on living things and what they need to survive, as well as the five senses and how they help us to learn about our environment. We would like to thank Mrs. Daphne Nicols who further enriched the H.S.I.E. unit titled “School Days”, by telling the students what it was like to go to school in the “olden days” when she was a young girl.

Kindergarten’s two assembly hosts and three award presenters are looking forward to presenting their first assembly this Thursday. Thank you to all the adults who have assisted in the classroom. You are all wished a relaxing, fun-filled and safe holiday!

Marina Kyriakou.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
School breaks up this Friday, 12 April and resumes on Wednesday, 1 May. Anzac Day will be celebrated on Thursday, 25 April (second week of holidays). Our students will be participating in the local Anzac Day March.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY
Staff will return to school on Monday, 29 April. They will meet to plan for Term 2. On Tuesday, 30 April, teachers will train for the implementation of the new English syllabus commencing in 2014.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN
We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program again this year. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 8 April and Sunday 9 June 2013. We will redeem the points for fantastic educational resources for our school. For every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point.

Pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it’s completed, just bring it back to school and drop it into the Collection Box. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. Last year we redeemed the points for over $2000 worth of mathematics resources which we are using in our classrooms now.

We are able to redeem points for resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at school.

Jane Fuiono

ANZAC DAY MARCH - The second week of holidays
Once again students from our school will take part in the Anzac Day march on Thursday, April 25. School Captains will meet Mr Floyd at St Matthias, Church at 10.45am to attend the church service. Student wishing to march will meet Mrs Fuiono at 11.30am at the church hall in Palace Street. The march will culminate at Memorial Park for the Anzac Day commemoration service. Jack N will read at the service and the captains will lay a wreath on behalf of the school.

ANZAC DAY MARCH - Please return to class teacher by 12 April.

My child/children ………………………………………………..will participate in the 2012 Anzac Day

Signed ……………………………….
CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 10.4  - Robyn Thompson, Karen Wilkins
Friday 12.4  - Angela Barry, Jo Brammer
**Next Term**
Monday 29.4  - Closed : Staff Only
Wednesday 1.5  - Kate Wolfgang, Yvette Worroll
Friday 3.5  - Jody Barlow, Angela Straney

**CANTEEN NEWS**
During Term 2, the canteen will open each Monday, Wednesday and Friday only!
The **canteen roster** for Term 2 is included with today’s newsletter.
We have 4 teams that work on Mondays and Wednesdays but only 3 teams on a Friday.
If you and a friend can help by working on a Friday, we can continue to keep the canteen open for
three days a week. If not, some Fridays, the canteen will be closed.

Julie McCauley

**MOTHERS’ DAY STALL** - Helpers needed
The Mother's Day stall will be held on Friday 10th May. (Next term Week 2) Please keep this day in
mind as we need about 15 helpers to run the stall. Raffle tickets will come home next term.

**DENMAN CATTLE SALE**
The next cattle sale will be held on **Friday, 19 April** (1st week of school holidays)
The roster is as follows:
**Working** – John East & Sonia Barnes  
**Cooking** – Chantel Blake & Denise Hoad

**STEWART HOUSE 2013 DONATION DRIVE – last week**
Please return all envelopes and money before Friday, 12 April.

**1st DENMAN SCOUT GROUP**
Our “Scout” group is open to boys and girls from 6 years old. We meet weekly, during the school
term, at the 1st Denman Scout Hall in Bell Street.
**Joeys**  - 6 yrs to 8 yrs, Mondays 4pm to 5pm  
**Cubs**  - 7.5 yrs to 11 yrs, Mondays 4pm to 5.15pm  
**Scouts**  - 10.5 yrs to 15 yrs, Mondays 5.30pm to 7.30pm
Our group is looking for volunteers, both male and female, to train as leaders. Parent helpers are
always welcome. Contact - Sonia Barnes on 6547 2129 or 0408 064 529.
ZONE CROSS COUNTRY
Denman will have four students progressing to the Hunter Regional Cross Country Championships after finishing in the top six at the Upper Hunter Championships at Muswellbrook last Friday. The Hunter Regional races will be held at Broadmeadow on Friday, 10 May (week 2 next term). Congratulations to Ashtyn, 3rd/46 in the 9 girls; Millie, 3rd/41 in the 11 girls; Tenahya, 4th/42 in the 10 girls; and Josh, 5th/49 in the 9 boys. Well done! Other runners to finish in a top 10 placing at zone were; Connor (7th in the 11 boys); Shaun (7th in the 12 boys); Jed (8th in the 9 boys) and Luke (10th in the 10 boys). Overall, Denman put in a tremendous effort. Thank you to all the parents for transporting the children and supporting them on the day. Ron Floyd and Dianne Hayne

CROSS COUNTRY RIBBONS
This Week, the ribbons for the school cross country will be presented. First, second and third place ribbons will all be handed out at Thursday’s Kindergarten assembly. Nick Garner

JUNIOR BASKETBALL
Denman Junior Basketball commenced last Monday, 8 April at the Basketball Stadium. Play starts at 3.30pm and continues until 4.30pm. All welcome! Glen Madden

CALENDAR
Wednesday 10.4 - School Anzac Ceremony, 11.15am
Thursday 11.4 - Kindergarten Assembly, 11.15am
Friday 12.4 - Reward Day, “favourite” movie character out of uniform day
- Last day of Term 1

NEXT TERM
Monday 29.4 - Staff only, school development meetings
Tuesday 30.4 - Teachers only, new English syllabus training
Wednesday 1.5 - Students return
Thursday 2.5 - Year 6F Assembly, 11.15am
- Netball match against Aberdeen, 12noon
Friday 3.5 - Bush Poets “Greg North” and Milton Taylor performance, 11.15am

ASSEMBLY
Kindergarten will host the last assembly of Term 1 this Thursday, 11 April. At this assembly we will also be presenting the ribbons for the cross country. Marina Kyriakou

HOLIDAY FUN ACTIVITIES
Messy Church - games, craft, stories, M/T and Lunch provided - Monday, 22 April 10am - 2pm at the Anglican Church Hall. Also to be conducted at Sandy Hollow Hall, Thursday, 18 April
Denman Library - Les Elvin, Aboriginal Artist painting workshop. Check with Denman Library for dates and times.
Blue Healers Film Festival - 14 to 21 April - short film competition for junior, youth and adult sections. Culminating with the “Grand Red Carpet” awards night at Two Rivers, Denman on Sunday, 21 April. Who will take the ultimate prize – “The Bluey” for the overall winner? Keep your eye out for this event!

Focus Week

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ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY AND REMEMBER TO BE CAREFUL