DENMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL
Learning and Growing Together in a Caring Environment

NEWSLETTER - Term 4, Week 2 22 October 2014

FANTASTIC MATHS RESULTS!
Forty students from Denman Public School displayed great Maths skills when they participated in the recent Australian Schools Mathematics Competition. Congratulations to Ashton and Patrick (both in Year 2) for achieving a High Distinction, which means they scored in the top 1% of Year 2 participants in Australia. Congratulations also to Conner (a Year 1 student participating in Year 2 test), Reegan (Year 2), Rachel, Declan (Year 3), Brock, Emerson (Year 4) Jenna, Ashleigh (Year 5) and Lucas (Year 6) for achieving a Distinction award being marked in the top 10% of participants in their year group in Australia. Well done to the twelve other students who were awarded Credits (top 25%): Joshua, Tristan (Year 3), Isabella, Mason, James (Year 4), Nicholas (Year 5), Lachlan, Nadia, Ashleigh, Wade and Zac (Year 6). What an excellent effort. Well done to these students!

FRIENDLY KIDS
Georgia, Year 2 - for teaching younger children to skip.
Millie, Year 6 - for end of day assistance with younger students.

WONDERFUL WORKERS
K – Caitlyn, Dash, Rory
1 – Jarryd, Conner, Brodie
2 – Leo, Cooper, Blade
4 – Emerson, Lucy, Kaide
3 – Phoebe, Tristan, Colbei
5 – Ashleigh, Amelia, Maicey
6 – Abby, Ashleigh, Mac

ARTWORK CALENDAR, CARD & DIARY FUNDRAISER
Order forms have gone out with each student for this year’s Calendar & Card order (iphone covers are unavailable this year). Every student has his or her artwork on display in the office foyer for you to view, and there are extra forms if required. Orders are due back at school with the correct money no later than next Wednesday, 22 October. Thanks for supporting our school.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION
This Friday, 17 October is the first of our Kindergarten 2015 orientation days. We welcome the children and their parents to our school hall at 9.30am. There will also be a morning tea in the library at 11am for the parents of our new kinder children to meet the staff.
The remainder of the program is as set out below:
• Friday, 31 October - students only, 8.50am to 1pm in Kinder with Miss Kyriakou
• Friday, 14 November - students only, 11am to 3pm in Kinder with Miss Kyriakou
• Friday, 28 November - students only, 8.30am to 3pm in Kinder with Miss Kyriakou
• Friday, 5 December - parents only, 15 minute interviews with Miss Kyriakou
For enrolment in 2015, please contact Denman Public School on 65472491 for an information pack.

PROFILES
We still have some outstanding profile folders which weren’t returned at the parent teacher interviews in term 2. If you still have your child’s folder at home, please return it to school this week so that semester 2 work samples can be added to it. Profiles will go home in week 11.
YEAR 4 CLASS NEWS
We’re now on the home stretch with just under 10 weeks left until the end of term 4, and it looks like another busy term ahead. Year 4 have many things to look forward to this term with the mini fete coming up in week 3, boot camp which starts in week 3 and meeting their ‘buddies’ at Kinder orientation this Friday.

In science this term we are studying a unit called ‘Smooth Moves’ which looks at how forces can be exerted by one object to another and in HSIE we are looking at State and National Parks within Australia. In PDHPE we are starting a unit called ‘Me, Myself and I’ which will focus on personal growth and development and in CAPA year 4 will be dancing with Mrs Lawson.

As the mini fete is Friday week, we still need donations for our stall to make it successful. If you would like to donate to the year 4 class we will need water bombs, fizzy drink, plastic cups and money donations for ice-cream. Thankyou, your help is gratefully appreciated.

MISS PETERS

MINI FETE!
It’s almost here!!! Friday, 24 October commencing at 12noon until 2.15pm. Donations of lollies and prizes are coming in steadily. Thank you to those families who have donated. Please continue to send things in to your child’s class this week. Your help is gratefully appreciated, as without your support, these fundraising efforts by the children would not be a success.

Face painting, hairspray, tattoos, lucky dips, sherbet making, hoop toss, guessing competitions, smash the Jaffa, water bomb cricket, air twister, nail art, Ice cream sodas, coffee and cake, white elephant, lolly cups, chocolate toss, Mum Portraits, P&C BBQ.....

These stalls and more will be at the mini fete!
All monies raised at the fete will go to the SRC so the children will be able to decide how to spend it.

P&C HELPERS NEEDED
The P&C is hosting the BBQ at the mini fete and need a few volunteers to help set up, cook and serve at the stall. The setup will be from 11am, and cooking will start shortly after. The serving will be done from 12noon. If you could spare a little time on the day please call Jo Betts on 0407187732.

INTENSIVE SWIMMING
An intensive swimming program from Monday, 24 November to Friday, 5 December will see Kinder to Year 3 students participating in a 30-minute swimming lesson each day for a fortnight. Some students from Years 4, 5 & 6 needing to learn to swim confidently will also be included in the program. Swim School information and permission notes will be distributed early November.

SPORTS AND GROUP PHOTOGRAPH
Sport photos will be taken next Tuesday, 21 October, commencing at 9am (Week 3). Please note the change of date from last week’s newsletter! Notes will be distributed to the students involved in photos this week. They will need to wear their best school uniform on that day (maroon shirts and grey/checked shorts, or school dresses, NOT sports uniform).
These photos will be published in the “Denman Examiner” which will go on sale later this term.

RSL CLUB BURSARY EXAM
Ten of our Year 6 students will sit the RSL Bursary exam Next Monday, 20 October. From all the local schools there are 13 students in total sitting the exam. We wish them all every success! The results will be announced at the Rotary Year 6 dinner on Wednesday, 26 November. Many thanks to the RSL Club for promoting education and the students of our local primary schools.

HEAD LICE CHECKS
During the past week we have had reports of head lice in our school. To minimize the risk of an outbreak, the affected classes have been checked for evidence of head lice or nits. To be doubly sure, it would be appreciated if you could check your child’s hair also.
KIDS CORNER  Rory - Kindergarten

Excellent spelling work!

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 15.10 - Robyn Thompson & Simone George
Friday 17.10 - Angela Barry & Jo Brammer

Next Week
Monday 20.10 - Germaine Ball, Ainsley Ball & Chantel Blake
Wednesday 22.10 - Kate Cummings & Kristy Watson
Friday 24.10 - Lyn Shepherdson & Julie McCauley

DENMAN CATTLE SALES
The roster for the next cattle sale on Friday, 24 October is as follows;
Working – Sonia Barnes
Cooking – Sonia Barnes & Sherry Neverov

SCHOOL HATS - HOT WEATHER
We have a “No Hat, No Play!” policy. Students need their hat at school each day, especially sport days, as they may have to sit out. Please support the school in this important health issue. School hats are now in stock and are currently available from the office for $10 each.

Good for Kids good for life

Tempting your taste buds
Some children take time to develop a liking for a range of vegetables. Although at times this can be frustrating and the temptation is to give up, it’s important to continue offering vegetables regularly as they are packed with nutrients that children need.¹

So how do we tempt children’s taste buds?
It’s important to know that children often need to be exposed to a food 8-14 times before they will start to accept the taste or texture of the food. The trick is to keep offering the food, showing that you enjoy eating it and encouraging your child to taste or try that food.¹

When it comes to vegetables, it helps to serve them in different ways - some children love vegetables raw but not cooked, some love them baked but not steamed and some only like them served separately and not mixed together.¹

The key is perseverance.

Below are some great vegetable ideas:
- Serve them as finger food as they are easy to pick up
- Serve them in different shapes by using a small biscuit cutter
- Serve vegetables with dips such as cottage cheese, salsa, hommus etc.
- Mix vegetables into pasta and rice dishes
- Involve children in preparing and growing vegetables. This increases their familiarity and willingness to try new vegetables

Reference: Adapted from Munch & Move Healthy eating newsletter snippets
DYNAMITE FITNESS – EMPOWERING KIDS!
Dynamite Fitness is a certified Outdoor Group Fitness Program for children, created to provide fun fitness activities to promote healthy habits for life.
The program will include the following…
- Body weight exercises LOTS OF!
- Power, Speed & Agility Drills
- Circuit and Relays
- Motivating games
- Stretching and flexibility
All while encouraging teamwork and focusing on correct execution of exercises and improved coordination.
Sessions can include the use of cards, dice, Agility ladders/sticks, cones, hoops, balls, ropes, beep test, tyres and sacks.
Please ensure your child has with them a hat, sunscreen, running shoes and drink bottle on their allocated boot camp day each week.
The sessions will be run with **Years 3-6 participating on Wednesdays**, and **Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 will be held on Fridays**. Notes accompany this newsletter and students can pay $2 each week or $10 to cover the whole program.

Ms Borg

ZONE RIBBONS
The ribbons from the Zone Athletics carnival will be handed out at this week’s assembly. If your child gained a place at the Singleton carnival last term, come along and watch them receive their ribbons.

Ms Borg

DENMAN AMATEUR SWIMMING CLUB
It’s that time of year again! All current members of the Denman Amateur Swimming Club by now would have received an email with a link to register for the upcoming 2014-2015 swim season. Please make sure you are registered before our first club night which is on Thursday 30th October, 2014 commencing at 5pm sharp. Again we ask for swimmers to be at the pool to register for their chosen strokes in plenty of time before the first race. Any new people wishing to join our club need to log onto [http://nsw.swimming.org.au/](http://nsw.swimming.org.au/) or if you have any questions please contact Danielle Saw on 0488054398 or email her at dasregistrar@gmail.com. Squad training commences on Monday 27th October and will run on Tuesday 28th October and Wednesday 29th October and every Mon/Tues/Wed after that. For times and length of sessions please contact Virginia Chapman on 0407437108 or Kristy Watson on 0488472289.

DENMAN LITTLE ATHLETICS
On the 26th October 2014, Aberdeen Athletics Club will be holding a Gala Day! Information and Entry Forms will be available at our club night this Wednesday.

Lee-Anne Newman, Secretary

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DENMAN SANDY HOLLOW JRLFC JUNIOR LEAGUE TAG
A Summer League Tag Comp is being organized for Rugby League players and non-League players. The mixed competition will be run for 10 weeks from 03/11/2014. The focus will be on participation, gaining skills and having fun.
Who: Girls and boys aged between 6yrs and 14yrs
When: Mondays from 03/11/2014 until 02/03/15.
Where: New Denman Rugby league ovals.
How: Registrations to be completed online (text the numbers below and we can send you the link).
Cost: $10 per player, online payment is optional
To be eligible to play in Round 1 Online Registration will need to be completed by midnight on Sunday 01/11/2014. For more information about the competition and registration call Peter Barry on 0428625713, Bruce Turner 0467762425, Phillipa Leabeater 0429409126.