CHARITY FUNDS to “Relay for Life”
Thank you to all the boys, girls and teachers who participated in the “PURPLE” days last Friday. $153 was raised by the SRC for the cancer charity. Well done!

GRANDPARENTS’ ASSEMBLY - This Thursday, 20 March
Our special assembly this week acknowledges Senior Citizens’ Week with a concert celebration. Normal assembly awards will be presented at this assembly followed by the concert. We invite grandparents and senior citizens to be our special guests at a morning tea in the hall at 11am and the assembly commences at 11.30am. Items will be as follows;
- Year 2, “I’ve Got a Good Feeling” dance
- Year 1, “Freeze” percussion band
- Year 4, “The True Story of the Three Little Pigs” role play
- Year 6, “The Saints come Marching in & Heard it Before” recorder
- Year 5, “Little Talks” song
- Kindergarten, “I had a Little Brother” poem & roll play
- Year 3, “Thriller” Dance  …………  Look forward to seeing you, Thursday!

FRIENDLY KIDS
Lachlan, Year 6 - for being a wonderful friend
Heath, Year 2 - for being a great help in the classroom

WONDERFUL WORKERS
1 – Charli, Joseph, Brodie
3 – Beau, Declan, Taj
4 – Elise, Mason, Sophie
2 – Sasha, Reegan, Patrick
K – Dash, Jaycee-Bede, Kaliea
5 – Nicholas, Joshua, Tasmyn
6 – Gypsy, Nadia, Mac

SCHOOL PHOTOS – NEXT THURSDAY, 27 March
Envelopes for school photos are included with today’s newsletter. Envelopes must be returned with correct money to the class teachers on the day of the photographs, next Thursday 27 March.
Please return your envelopes even if you do not want any photographs.
The photo sessions for classes will commence at 9am. Family photographs will commence at 11am in the school Hall.
Full school uniform required - Boys - maroon polo shirt and grey shorts Girls - summer tunic if possible, otherwise maroon polo shirt and check shorts.
Please have your child in white socks and black shoes.
The family photo package is priced at $20.00 and envelopes are available at the office.
KINDER CLASS NEWS

It is hard to believe that twenty, wonderful, kindergarten students have almost completed their first term at Denman Public School. In such a short time, they have shown that they are hard workers, helpful, kind friends to each other, and responsible school members.

Everyone loves participating in the Jolly Phonics program on the smartboard. The students have learned many single sounds, accompanied by the actions and songs for each one. They are now starting to blend small, three and four letter words. So far, in mathematics, the students have been learning about the numbers to six, although everyone loves singing songs that count to one hundred! They have also been learning about halves, equal and not equal groups, 2D shapes and aspects of measurement such as length, area and mass.

The students are also very enthusiastic singers, with the favourites being “My Little Dog”, “Bingo” and “Do You like Broccoli Ice-cream?” Everyone has been enjoying sport immensely. So far, some of the skills practised have been kicking balls into a target, relay running, pencil rolling and trampolining.

On Thursday, kindergarten will be performing their first, “big school” item at the Senior Citizens Assembly, and they are very excited!

I would like to extend a very big “THANK YOU” to all the parents and grandparents who have volunteered for guided reading. The time you put in to facilitate the students’ learning is greatly appreciated!

Miss Kyriakou.

STEWART HOUSE 2014 DONATION DRIVE

Stewart House provides happy, healthy holidays for many New South Wales public school children. This year by donating a gold coin, in the envelope provided, you would be in the draw for a $4000 family holiday at a destination of your choice.

Please return all envelopes and money before Friday, 11 April. (End of Term 1) Mr Bryant

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Focus Week

STRANGER DANGER

If you meet a stranger on the way to or from home:

- Speak only if spoken to
- Be polite
- Make room for others on the footpath
- Do NOT speak to or go with a person in a car

If you feel uncomfortable or worried … TELL A TRUSTED ADULT

ETC COMPETITIONS

Information about these tests, cost, permission and nominations of which tests to sit was sent home last Wednesday. Please return all entries by Friday, 28 March.

ETC Tests (Please return with money by next Friday, 28 March)

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SCHOOL COUNCIL 2014
We welcome to school council three new parent representatives, Christine Bailey, Amanda Collins and Angela Barry. Many thanks to departing parent members, Lee-Anne Newman, Mel Wilks and Karen Wilkins for their contribution during the past two year term. The new school council for 2014 consists of: Jo Betts (P&C rep); Brett Woodruff (Community); Mr Bryant, Mrs Lawson, Miss Kyriakou and Mrs Saunders (Staff); and Christine Bailey, Amanda Collins and Angela Barry (Parents). At last night’s meeting Angela Barry was re-elected as president and Jo Betts as secretary.

COMBINED CAKE & PIZZA DAY
Our students will certainly enjoy some treats on Wednesday, 2 April (not next Tuesday, 25 March as on the Calendar) Year 5 will be holding a cake stall at recess. Remember to bring your money to buy a delicious treat or two. If you can help serve at the stall, it would be much appreciated. The P&C has also organized “Pizza for Lunch” on the day at 1pm. The pre-order for “Pizza” lunch is included in today’s newsletter. Please order by Monday, 31 March. Should be a great day!

P&C WORKING BEE - Postponed
The working bee called for this Friday, 21 March between 4.30 & 6.30pm has been postponed until a listed work scheduled has been drafted. We will advertise through the newsletter when the new date has been decided upon.

Thanks, Jo Betts

UNIFORM SHOP
Remember, the uniform shop will open each Tuesday and Friday mornings at 8.30am.

DENMAN CATTLE SALES
The roster for next cattle sales to be held this Friday, 21 March is as follows:

SENIOR CITIZENS WEEK
We wish all the senior citizens in our town all the best for “Senior Citizens Week” this week. We hope to see you at our morning tea, assembly and concert.
SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL
Last Wednesday, 12 March our school cross country was held. Despite the postponement due to wet weather and the need for a new course, our cross country races were enjoyed by all. Congratulations to all runners who finished the course, they did extremely well earning points for their house. The children ran well and had a great time participating and cheering on their mates. The winning Cross Country house was Callatoota with 129 points followed by; Arrowfield 128, Richmond Grove 121 and Rosemount 62.

Placegetters were: 12 year boys – 1st, Kobe, 2nd, Connor, 3rd, Mac
12 year girls – 1st, Millie, E2nd, Emily, E2nd, Kathrine
11 year girls – 1st, Tenahya, 2nd, Ashleigh, 3rd, Tayla
10 year boys – 1st, Josh, 2nd, Jed, 3rd, Harris
10 year girls – 1st, Emerson, 2nd, Imogen, 3rd, Lucy
9/8 year boys – 1st, Zac, 2nd, Miles, E3rd, Taj & E3rd, Ashton
9/8 year girls – 1st, Ashtyn, 2nd, Kate, 3rd, Amber

Congratulations to these students who will now participate at the Zone Cross Country. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to help. It was greatly appreciated. Miss Alison

REPRESENTATIVE TRIALS
All the best to the boys representing our school and the Upper Hunter Zone at the Hunter Area Rugby League Trials at Raymond Terrace, this Friday, 21 March.
Congratulations and best wishes to; Mac, Kobe, Connor, Brock and Luke.

Miss Alison

SCONE FOOTBALL CARNIVAL – this Sunday, 23 March
The Group 21 Rugby League Carnival held will be held this Sunday, 23 March at Scone Park. Best wishes to the Under 7s, 8s, 9s, 10s and Opens in their games.
The draw is not out as yet, but will be given to each player when it comes. It will also be available on the following website - www.arldevelopment.com.au/hunter
All school teams (including 7s, 8s, 9s & 10s) have training tonight at the football ground commencing at 5pm. It is very important that all players attend training! Training Thursday as well! Many thanks to our coaches: Philippa, Phil, Brendan, Brad, Bruce and Jay …….Go the Devils!

NETBALL TRIALS
The zone netball trials were conducted last Friday in Singleton. Our netball team played well at the trials improving with each match. The highlight was a drawn match against Muswellbrook South PS. Two players, Nadia and Emily were selected to play in the possibles/probables match. Nadia and Emily did well, just missing the last 14 final selections for the zone team.
Well done to all attending the netball trials as reports of your efforts and behaviour were excellent. Thank you to parents who assisted with transport, support and encouragement. Miss Lewis

CALENDAR
Wednesday 19.3 - Year 6, MHS GATS presentation, 10am
Thursday 20.3 - Senior Citizens Morning Tea at 11am & Assembly at 11.30am
Friday 21.3 - Hunter Area Rugby League Trials - Raymond Terrace
- Class Sport, 10am

Next Week
Thursday 27.3 - NO ASSEMBLY
- School Photographs, (9am - Class photos & 11am Family photos)
Friday 28.3 - Zone Cross Country
- Class Sport, 10am

HEALTHY HINT - Why reduce television time?
✓ studies have shown we use less energy watching TV than sitting still
✓ TV influences the food choice of kids
(Australia has a high rate of food advertising during children’s viewing hours)
✓ TV replaces time a child can be active and enjoy physical activity
✓ There is an association between TV watching and being overweight
✓ 40% of kids 5-12 years, report watching an average two hours or more of television a day