NEWSLETTER - Term 2, Week 4

ROAD SAFETY PARENT WORKSHOP
Parents play a vital role in keeping their children safe. We would like to invite parents to a workshop at 2.15pm in the School Hall this Friday, 23 May. NRMA staff will review the key road safety messages taught to the children on the day and also learn about what you can do to keep your children safe on the road. Mrs Fuiono

NAPLAN TESTING
Congratulations to our Year 3 and Year 5 students for the excellent application to their Naplan tests last week. With all the hard work behind them, we now wait on the results due early Term 4. Thank you to both class teachers, Mrs Saunders and Miss Borg, for the preparation and support of the students in the lead up to and during the tests.

FRIENDLY KIDS
Ella, Year 2 - for always being kind and caring towards all students
Elise, Year 4 - for her great honesty involving a large sum of money

WONDERFUL WORKERS
K – Hayley, Kaitlyn, Rory
3 – Ashley, Braith, Ned
4 – Isabella, Kaide, Codon
6 – Millie, Dana-Ann, Zac
1 – Phoebe, Cordeylia, Jarryd
2 – Mary-Jane, Harry, Blade

NRMA - Science & Road Safety Day
Our school will be hosting an NRMA Science & Road Safety Day, this Friday 23 May. This program looks at road safety from a science perspective so that children better understand the forces that act on humans when in motion so that road safety messages such as “Wear your seatbelt” or “Wear your bike helmet” become more relevant.
Children are asked to bring their helmets in on the day, decorated for fun. Mrs Fuiono

BULLY NO MORE - School Performance
By now, your child/children should have brought home the note about this presentation to be held on TUESDAY, 3rd JUNE at 9.30a.m. The cost is $3 and is due by this FRIDAY, 23rd MAY. This presentation will be most valuable in equipping students with important life skills. Notes can also be obtained from the school office.

YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 LIBRARY EXCURSION
Tomorrow Year 1 & Year 2 students will be attending the National Simultaneous Storytime at Denman Library. The story “Too Many Elephants in this House” will be read by popular children’s author Ursula Dubosarsky. We will join with 380,000 children at over 2000 locations. We will depart school at 10.30am and walk to the Library. We will return to school at approximately 12.00pm. Students will need to wear a hat.
KINDER CLASS NEWS

On the last Wednesday of term one, the students had their first experience of performing in the wider community. Everyone walked to Merton Court to perform “I Had A little Brother” for the residents. You were fantastic, kindergarten—well done!

“Rosie’s Walk”, written and illustrated by Pat Hutchins, is the story book that the students are working on intensively in literature. So far, the book and the video version have been a big hit. The story only contains one sentence, but the wonderful illustrations “speak” many words. Everyone thinks that some of the illustrations are hilarious! The students are also learning to sing a song called “Rosie and the Fox”. Some of this term’s drama lessons will focus on acting the roles of the fox and Rosie, as well as acting out the whole story, in groups, as it is read by an adult. Some students will even get to be the rake, the pond and the bees! In reading, everyone is concentrating on reading bold print and character dialogue with expression. In mathematics, the students will be participating in activities that involve counting on from a given number, equal shares, using positional language and comparing objects of different lengths. Everyone still loves singing songs that count to one hundred, and a song titled “Take Away”.

The H.S.I.E. unit for this term is titled “This Is Me”. It provides opportunities for students to explore their special characteristics and the different groups that they belong to. It also provides them with opportunities to compare themselves with others in their class and with people from different places and times.

The science unit for the latter part of this term is titled “What’s It Made Of ?” The students will be looking at everyday materials in the environment, their properties, and will be testing them for water resistance. Some materials will be wood, metal, concrete, rubber and plastic.

Thank you so much to the many parents and grandparents who turn up every week to hear the students read! Miss Kyriakou.

CANBERRA EXCURSION

Best wishes to parents (Shaun Joseph, Ian Jones and Sue Coombes) and teachers (Miss Borg, Mrs Lawson and Mrs Hayne) who give up their time to take Year 5 and Year 6 to Canberra. The bus leaves next Tuesday, at 6am. Remember to come to school at 5.45am to pack your gear onto the bus. The students will visit the war Memorial, Questacon, Institute of Sport, Parliament House, Telstra Tower, National Museum and the Film and Sound Archive. We know they will have a GREAT time! The excursion returns to Denman at 7.30pm, Friday night.

LEADERS DAY

All of the captain nominees are attending a “Leadership” course and workshop at Newcastle Panthers tomorrow. This program will assist the students in developing skills as a leader in a school. We hope they have an enjoyable and productive day; Emily, Tenika, Corey, Daniel, Nadia, Kathrine, Ashleigh, Connor, Wade and Mac.

LIBRARY HELP

You can help your school by assisting with the covering of library books. If you can help, please contact the school office on 65472491 or let Mrs Thurston know at school.

STARSTRUCK EXCURSION — Last chance!

This is the last week you have to get a ticket to attend the “Star Struck” excursion to Newcastle to watch the “Star Struck” matinee show at 10.30am on Friday 13 June. So far we have only fifteen students from Year 2 to 6 attending……. So….now this excursion is open any student and parent in Year 1 or Kindergarten wishing to attend. Remember, notes and money returned by this Friday, 23 May. The cost is $35 per students. All money needs to be in an envelope, clearly marked with permission note; and sent to the office.

“Star Struck” Note – return with $35 before Friday, 23 May

I give permission for my son/daughter …….. ..........................Year ......... to travel to the Newcastle Entertainment Centre to watch “Star Struck” on Friday, 13 June.

I understand that transport will be bus. Signed...........................................
KIDS CORNER
Isabella, Year 4 - Fantastic Art Work

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 21.5 - Germaine Ball & Chantel Blake
Friday 23.5 - Renee Wallace & Simone George
**Next Week**
Monday 26.5 - Kate Jones & Amanda Collins
Wednesday 28.5 - Megan Prout & Jaymee Wilton
Friday 30.5 - Renee Wear & Julie McCauley

DENMAN CATTLE SALES
The roster for the next cattle sale to be held **this Friday, 23 May** is as follows:
**Workers:** John and Ann East  **Cooking:** Ann East and Chantel Blake

P&S LAMINGTON & PIE DRIVE
Get your Thompson’s pies for the winter! The order form for all families is included with today’s newsletter. All orders and money need to be in by **Wednesday, 11 June.** No late orders will be accepted. All cheques are to be made payable to: Denman Public School P&C.
The delivery date is Wednesday, June 18.  
Jo Betts

UNIFORM SHOP
The school uniform shop is open for sales each **Tuesday and Friday mornings at 8.30am.**
Any **outstanding uniform debts** need to be paid ASAP.  
Sandy Russell, 0418572265

STARSTRUCK RAFFLE
All families have received a book of six tickets today with the newsletter.
**$2 per ticket or 3 for $5.** We have **four great prizes** packs to choose from;
**Pack A** - $120 Denman Hotel meal and drinks voucher, Two Rivers 2 pack of wine, Kids Lucky Dip  **Value** $160.00.
**Pack B** - Wishes Hair and Beauty Products, Precious Pieces $30 Voucher, Kids Lucky Dip  **Value** $140.00.
**Pack C** - Sherryn’s Beauty Spot Voucher $80.00, Denman Pharmacy Natio gift pack, Denman Pie Shop Voucher, Kids Lucky Dip  **Value** $130.00
**Pack D** - Denman Dapkos Esky, Griida’s Butchery Voucher, My Krooked Kitchen gifts, Tartucca Espresso Bar Chocolates and biscuits, Lazy Susan, Kids Lucky Dip  **Value** $130.00

STUDENT REPORTS AND INTERVIEWS
Student Reports for Semester 1 will be distributed to primary students on Tuesday, 10 June and infants students on Thursday, 12 June.
The Parent/Teacher Interviews will be conducted during the last two weeks of term.
**Please return your “Preferred” interview time request sheet by Friday, 30 May.**
Teachers will then confirm your allocated interview time before the class interview day.
PSSA TOUCH FOOTY TRIALS

Yesterday afternoon, Tenahya, Kathrine, Millie, Corey and Zac travelled to Aberdeen to take part in the touch football trails.

The girls joined up with 3 students from Scone PS to form a team and worked well together considering they had never met before. The boys also made a team with 2 Scone students and 3 from Merriwa CS students. Both the girls and boys teams played two games each where they showed off their touch football skills and abilities. Each student from Denman Public should be proud of their individual and team efforts, especially in the cold conditions.

Congratulations to Millie and Zac for making to the “possible/probable” game where they both faced extremely hard competition and unfortunately were not selected to progress.

We are now looking for a parent or volunteer who would be willing to spare a few lunch time to coach our boys senior touch side. With some coaching we are sure that our school will have some really great touch teams scheduled to play Aberdeen PS in the PSSA knockout on 6 June.

Miss Hassett

MERRIWA HORSE SPORTS

The Merriwa Horse Sports will be held on Monday, 11 August.

Could parents interested in their children competing on the day, please contact me asap, so we can get the entries in as soon as we can. Entry fee is $20. Katie Calvert 65472043

CALENDAR

Wednesday 21.5 - Captains and Nominees, leadership course, Newcastle
Thursday 22.5 - Year 5 Assembly, 11.15am
Friday 23.5 - NRMA Day, activities all day (No Sport)

Next Week

Tuesday 27.5 - Years 5 & 6 Depart for Canberra
Thursday 29.5 - NO Assembly
- Under 10’s Knights Knockout
Friday 30.5 - Years 5 & 6 return from Canberra

Focus Week  SAFE TRAVEL TO AND FROM SCHOOL

WALKING
Walk straight to school and home
Walk on the footpath
Cross at the proper crossings

RIDING
Obey all the road rules
Wear a helmet
Ride sensibly

CAR
Wear a seat belt
Ask the driver to drop you off in a safe place
Look before you cross the road

BUS
Stay seated at all times
Take care getting on and off the bus
Wait, watch, and walk

TAKE CARE, BE SENSIBLE AND STAY HEALTHY

TAMWORTH FOOTBALL CARNIVAL

The Tamworth football carnival is coming up on Saturday, 14 June. Only four weeks away! We will only enter Under 7s, 8s and 9s and 11s teams if we have enough players to enter.

So please return the slip below so we can decide? The 12s are not going.

Don’t forget training every Thursday night commencing at 4.30pm at the town footy oval.

If your child wishes to play or you can coach, please return the slip below by next Friday, 30 May.

RUGBY LEAGUE – To be returned by this Friday, 30 May.

Name .......................................................... Class ........ Date of Birth...........................

is/are interested in playing football for the school at the Tamworth Football Carnival.

I will coach the Under ____ team at Tamworth. Signed ____________________