WELCOME BACK
I hope you had an enjoyable winter break with your family.
Welcome back, yet again, to Mrs Mills who replaces Miss Kyriakou on Kindergarten for the first 3 weeks of Term 3.
Term 3 looks busy yet again, full of many enjoyable educational, sporting and cultural activities. Such activities are scheduled on our Term 3 calendar, which is included with today’s newsletter. Please put the calendar in a prominent place so that you can refer to it frequently.

KNIGHTS KNOCKOUT FINAL
We wish all our Under 12s the very best of luck tomorrow at Hunter Stadium when they play Stockton Public School in the Knights Knockout Final. Go Denman!

RED NOSE DAY – “Sids & Kids”
We held Red Nose Day on the last Friday of Term 2. It was fantastic to see most children come to school dressed in red to support this very worthwhile cause. Congratulations to winners of the colouring-in competition in each class: Kinder - Rory, Hayley, Diego
Year 1 - Remmi, Jarryd, Phoebe Year 2 - Harry, Thomas, Lizzie Year 3 - Kate, Tristan, Ned
Year 4 - Lucy, Jasmine, Brock Year 5 - Emma, Ashleigh, Abbymae
Year 6 - Connor, Kathrine, Ashleigh
Thank you to Felisha Nebauer and Nathan for selling the red noses, etc, to our students. The SRC raised $133.50 from the “Out of Uniform” day and a donation was forwarded to the SIDS research foundation.

FRIENDLY KIDS
Taylor, Year 1 - for always volunteering to empty our compost/fruit bin.
Dana, Year 6 - for volunteering to do school jobs and always completing them well.

WONDERFUL WORKERS
5 – Jake, Brodie, Cody
2 – Heath, Sasha, Ashton
3 – Rachel, Ben, Ned
6 – Kathrine, Luke, Daniel
K – Diego, Kaitlyn, Jaycee-Bede
4 – Codon, Lachlan, Jasmine
1 – Cordeylia, Jeb, Lillian

HUNTER DANCE FESTIVAL
Next Thursday, 24 July is the Hunter Schools Dance Festival at Newcastle Panthers for our Junior Dance group. Students involved are to arrive at school as usual by 9am and depart school at 10am (private transport).
The show begins at 6:30pm and tickets are purchased through Panthers.
Students will travel home with parents at the completion of the show.
Please return your singlet to school by tomorrow at the latest.
YEARS 1 CLASS NEWS
Welcome back to term 3. I hope you all had a great holiday. The children were full of exciting stories today, so I am assuming you did. The year is half way through and we are going to be just as busy this term as we were last term. We have the public speaking finals, spelling bee and a cake day to look forward to. We also have the infants excursion to the Hunter Valley Zoo in September, as well as a school dance in week 10. Education Week is in week 5 and you are all invited to visit our classroom on open day and stay for a picnic lunch with your children at school. I look forward to seeing you all then. The children will continue to work hard with many different learning experiences in Science with the unit Up, Down and All Around, and the HSIE unit Families, Past and Present. Their PD/H unit this term is called ‘Protecting Me’ and they will learn how to stay safe and identify unsafe situations. We are continuing to make good use of our XO’s and are becoming very good at navigating our way around the different apps that we use. The children would love to share their work with you all in week 5. See you then! Jane Fuiono

GREAT COMPUTER RESULTS
This year 22 Denman students sat the Australian Schools Computer Test along with over half a million students Australia wide. Jenna recorded an amazing High Distinction! This result places her in the top 1 percent in NSW. Great work. Congratulations to Jordana, Phoebe (Year 3) James and Emerson (Year 3) Taya (Year 5) and Lucas (Year 6) for achieving distinction awards. Your skills were marked in the top 10% in the state. Well done also the 5 students who were awarded credits (top 25%); Braith, Tyla, Isabella, Ashleigh and Zac. Well done!

DENMAN STUDENTS PERFORM NEXT WEDNESDAY
Next Wednesday, 23 July, students from Year 3 and Kindergarten will perform at the Denman RSL Club, for the local senior citizens. The Senior Citizens are holding their annual “Christmas In July” celebrations and Denman Public School students have been invited to perform. This is a great opportunity to showcase our students' creative talents. The children will be walking down to the RSL Club at 11.45 to perform at 12 noon. Ann Mills & Caroline Saunders

BOOK WEEK 2014: “Connect to Reading”
Save the date & start planning your “Book Character” costume for Book Week 2014. Book Week is celebrated from 18 to 22 August. This year’s theme is Connect to Reading. On Thursday, 21 August we will be forming a giant bookworm around the school at 10:30am. We invite parents, grandparents and family members to bring along a book they liked to read as a child, or purchase a new book from our Book Fair to share with their child. The book worm reading time will be followed by recess. After recess we will conduct a Book Character Parade and our Weekly Assembly. At the assembly we will announce the winners of this year’s Children’s Book Council of Australia Book of the Year 2014!

BOOK FAIR
There will be a Book Fair held in the Library during Book Week and children will have time to browse before the fair, to let parents know which titles they would love. Books can be purchased on; Wednesday, 20 August, 8:30-10am, 1:00-1:50pm and Thursday, 21 August, 8:30-2:00pm

Focus Week

BEST USE OF THE LIBRARY

- EACH INFANTS CHILD (K-2) IS ALLOWED TO BORROW: 2 BOOKS FOR 2 WEEKS
- EACH PRIMARY CHILD (3-6) IS ALLOWED TO BORROW: 4 BOOKS FOR 1 WEEK
- ALWAYS KNOW THE TITLES OF THE BOOKS YOU BORROW
- ALL CHILDREN SHOULD RETURN THEIR BOOKS ON TIME
- IF YOU WANT TO RE-BORROW, TAKE YOUR BOOKS TO THE LIBRARY BEFORE THEY BECOME OVERDUE
- LIBRARY BAGS - Children who keep books in a book bag are better at returning them on time.
- ‘SPECIAL’ BOOK SHELVES - AT HOME - Children who have a special book shelf are less likely to lose their books or to have overdue books.

MAKE SURE YOUR BOOK IS RETURNED ON TIME
KIDS CORNER
Jasmine, Year 4
Outstanding Artwork

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 16.7 - Robyn Thompson & Simone George
Friday 18.7 - P&C BBQ (Sports Carnival)
Next Term
Monday 21.7 - Kate Jones & Amanda Collins
Wednesday 23.7 - Bridget Quinn & Christine Bailey
Friday 25.7 - Michelle Owen & Casey Hewitt

P & C NEWS
The P&C will be holding a BBQ at the Athletics Carnival this Friday, July 18.
There will be a sausage on a bread/roll for all students free of charge.
Also available for purchase on the day will be;

- Sausage Sandwiches - $2
- Steak Sandwiches - $4
- Drinks - $2

There will be no pre orders, just purchase on the day.
Any mum or dad who can lend a hand for a while on the day will be greatly welcomed.

VOLUNTEERS
Parents and Grandparents, we welcome the time you give to the school helping in classrooms, sport and canteen. We also have an obligation to keep you safe and need to know when you are at school…so, please sign in on arrival and sign out on departure.

UNIFORM SHOP
The school uniform shop is open for sales each Tuesday and Friday mornings at 8.30am.
For winter we have:
- Full tracksuits - $55
- Jackets only - $35
- Pants only - $25
- Grey long pants for boys - $20
- Maroon long pants for girls - $20
- Long sleeve polos - $20
- Fleecy V-neck jumpers - $25
- Hats and Caps - $10
- Scarf - $6

Any outstanding uniform debts need to be paid ASAP. Sandy Russell, 0418572265

DENMAN CATTLE SALES
The roster for the cattle sale this Friday, 18 July is as follows;
Working - John and Ann East  Cooking - Ann East and Catherine Reddish

HEALTHY HINTS – Encourage Fair Play
Sport and games are a great way for children to learn about teamwork, rules, winning, losing as well as providing invaluable physical activity. Parents can encourage fair play by:

* Emphasising effort and having fun, not just winning.
* Cheering and acknowledging good play by both teams.
* Talking about the game not the result.
800 METRES RACE RESULTS
Congratulations to the 800 metres placegetters. Results were as follows;
Junior boys; 1st Darcy, 2nd Jed, 3rd Lane - 2.55.00
Junior girls; 1st Ashtyn, 2nd Emerson, 3rd Amber - 3.05.00
11 Year boys; 1st Luke, 2nd Brodie, 3rd Nicholas Coo - 2.59.11
11 Year girls; 1st Tenahya, 2nd Tallulah, 3rd Ashleigh - 3.24.19
Senior boys; 1st Kobe, 2nd Connor, 3rd Mac - 2.48.00
Senior girls; 1st Millie 2nd Kathrine, 3rd Tenika - 3.17.47
Well done!

ONLY JUNIOR FIELD EVENTS
Because we have so many juniors (8s, 9s &10s), we will have finals in all the junior field events.
We have already determined our High Jump finalists and those not in the junior high jumps will have a ballgames competition during this time. In all the other field events (Shot Put, Discus and Long Jump), competitors will have 2 rounds of competition to qualify for the final round (top 10).
Under 11s and 12s will compete in all field events but will not have any ballgames competition.

BASKETBALL GALA DAY
Next Wednesday, 23 July, our boys and girls basketball teams will travel to Maitland for a basketball gala day. We wish the boys and girls the best of luck!
Thank you to Mrs Whitten and Miss Hassett for coaching the sides.

THE SPORTING CHALLENGE CHAMPION
This week our sports challenge champion is: Diego, Kindergarten
- For his enthusiasm for the sport of soccer and the love of playing soccer.

CALENDAR
Wednesday 16.7 - Knights Knockout Final, bus departs at 8.50am
Thursday 17.7 - Aboriginal cultural and art workshops
               - Naidoc Week Assembly, 11.20am
Friday 18.7 - Athletics Carnival, Denman Football Oval 9.30am

Next Week
Tuesday 22.7 - Asthma training for staff, 3.15pm
Wednesday 23.7 - Years 3 & Kinder to Senior Citizens Concert, Denman RSL, 12 noon
               - Basketball Gala Day, Maitland, depart 8am
Thursday 24.7 - Year 6 Assembly, 11.20am
               - Junior dance groups perform at Newcastle Panthers, depart 10am
               - Chess tournament, Singleton depart at 8am
Friday 26.7 - “Zumba Kids” for sport
               - Canteen meeting, hall, 9am

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Our Athletics Carnival will be held this Friday 18 July. The carnival will be held at the Denman Football Oval commencing at 9.30am for students from Years 2 to 6.
All boys and girls are to come to school as usual and we will walk up after roll call.
Infants will walk to the oval at 10.30am to begin their age races at 10.45am. Infants will participate in a tabloid of events until 1pm and will walk back to school after their lunch break.
The P&C will be running a BBQ for Lunch.
If any parents are available to help set up, please be at the ground at 7.30am.

HELPERS URGENTLY REQUIRED
We need parent helpers for the Athletics Carnival this Friday.

I am able to assist at the Athletics Carnival this Friday, 18 July.

Name …………………………………………………………………  Signed …………………………

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