DENMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL
Learning and Growing Together   in a Caring Environment

NEWSLETTER - Term 3, Week 10 16 September 2014

FANTASTIC ENGLISH TEST RESULTS
Twenty-one students from Denman Public School displayed great English skills when they participated in the recent Australian Schools English Competition. Congratulations to Phoebe (Year 3) for achieving a high distinction, which is in the top 1% in the state! Well done, Phoebe! Congratulations also to Lucas (Year 6), Amelia (Year 5) and Ashton (Year 2) for achieving a distinction award, being marked in the top 10% in the state. Well done also the four other students who were awarded credits (top 25%); Patrick, Year 2; Declan, Year 3; Taya and Jenna, Year 5. An excellent effort. Well done!

FRIENDLY KIDS
Cooper, Year 2 – for always being a kind and polite friend.
Ashleigh, Year 6 – for always being polite and co-operative with a beautiful smile.

WONDERFUL WORKERS
1 – Jo, Jarryd, Conner
2 – Locklan, Ashton, Heath
6 – Luke, Kobe, Daniel
4 – Mason, Amber, Kaide
5 – Abbymae, Nicholas, Hunter
3 – Jordanna, Fjord, Braith
K – Latisha, Indya, Jaycee

SCHOOL DANCE TONIGHT 5.30pm
Tonight, Tuesday, 16 September, we will hold a school dance at the Memorial Hall commencing at 5.30pm and concluding at 7.30 sharp. The SRC have decided on a “Rainbow” theme. Year 6 are RED, Year 5 - ORANGE, Year 4 - YELLOW, Year 3 - GREEN, Year 2 - BLUE, Year 1 - PURPLE and Kindergarten - PINK. We will have great music to entertain us with fun games, competitions and prizes to be won. Admission - $2 per student or $5 per family Drinks - $1 Chips - 50c

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY
This term an out of uniform day will be held on WEDNESDAY, September 17. The theme for this day is Pyjamas/onesies, so the children can have a relaxing morning after the dance, and ‘come as they are’. Students are required to make a gold coin donation to come out of uniform, with all monies raised going to the ‘Rise for Alex’ cause.

REWARD DAY
This Friday, September 19, the students will be participating in our end of term ‘Reward’ afternoon. Students will have a variety of activities as a reward for their good behaviour. The activities commence at 2pm. Infants can look forward to construction toys and games, while the junior primary classes will watch a movie and the senior primary will participate in a bowls afternoon at the Denman Bowling Club under the instruction of Mr Floyd. Students who are below 17 licence points will not participate. They will be supervised by a teacher, and they will be completing school work.

Mrs Fuiono
YEAR 6 CLASS NEWS
What a term! Once again we had a busy term. Well done to all the boys and girls involved in Football, Netball, Cricket and Chess. Students have been busy completing their projects about Gold. We have had fantastic flags, tools, biographies, certificates and many more pieces of work have come in. This week is busy with the Disco tonight, Pyjama Day tomorrow, Library visit on Thursday and 2 days of Youth Leading the World Congress for those involved. We are looking forward to our day of bowls on reward day. Mrs Lawson

YOUTH LEADING THE WORLD CONFERENCE
Nineteen year 5 and 6 students are attending the Youth Leading the World Congress at Muswellbrook tomorrow and Thursday. They will be learning all about our carbon footprint and how to make a more sustainable Earth for our future. Mrs Lawson

TERM 4 DATES
Term 4 resumes for both teachers and students in NSW public schools on Tuesday, 7 October. The last day for students this year will be Wednesday, 17 December. We wish you and your family a happy and safe September/October school holidays.

SCHOOL HATS - HOT WEATHER
We have a “No Hat, No Play!” policy. Students need their hat each day. Please support the school in this important health issue. School hats are currently out of stock, but will be available next term from the office for $10 each.

PIZZA DAY
A very successful special lunch ‘Pizza Day’ was held last Tuesday. All the children enjoyed having something different for lunch as a special treat. A big thank you goes to Brenda Daniel, Karen Bussey, Michelle Greacen, Christine Bailey, Allison Turner, Felisha Nebauer and Julie McCauley for helping with the distribution of the pizza and a special thank you to Julie McCauley for picking the pizzas up. Jo Betts

DISTRICT SPELLING BEE FINALS
Rachel, Isabella, Lucas and Zac will represent the school at the Premier’s Spelling Bee regional finals held at King Street Public School tomorrow. All the best to these 4 students. Jo Betts

POWER FM BREAKFAST
Last Thursday morning many students arrived at school at 7.30am to the excitement of Power FM radio broadcasting from our school playground! A fantastic morning was had by all! Breakfast was provided by Coles, Muswellbrook, the Denman Fire Brigade showed the children around the fire engine, allowed them to spray the fire hose, and gave a very interesting demonstration, and lots of games, dancing and competitions were organised by the staff of Power FM, with the help of some volunteer parents. Thank you very much to all involved with the running of this, and well done to the Denman Public School students, who all showed their normal outstanding behavior during the event. I am sure we will do this again sometime in the future. Mrs Fuiono

MINI FETE!
There will be a mini fete next term on Friday, 24 October commencing at 12noon until 2.15pm. The fete will be a team effort with P&C and SRC joining the teachers to organise an event to remember. Look out for updates in future newsletters and notes sent home from each class.

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! Please start thinking about your class donations, so that the day is a success. All monies raised at the fete will go to the SRC so the children will be able to decide how to spend it.
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**KIDS CORNER**  Conner, Year 1  Great alliteration and computer drawing

The dumb dog dug deep into the dirt.

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**TEEN ROSTER**

Wednesday 17.9 - Megan Prout & Jaymee

Friday 19.9 - Renee Wallace & Simone

George

**Next Term**

Monday 6.10 - Labour Day

Wednesday 8.10 - Bridget Quinn & Christine Bailey

Friday 10.10 - Michelle Owen & Casey Hewitt

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**MAN CATTLE SALES**

The roster for the next cattle sale on **Friday, 19 September** is as follows:

- **Working** - John and Ann East
- **Cooking** - Ann East and Chantel Blake

**SCHOOL BUS BEHAVIOUR**

Students travelling by bus to and from school are reminded of the “Bus Behaviour Code”. Inappropriate behaviour on buses may lead to bus travel **being suspended**.

Please read the following carefully:

- Respect the needs and comfort of other passengers. **TRAVEL QUIETLY!**
- Behave appropriately at all times (eg. no use of offensive language, fighting, spitting, placing feet on seats or throwing things in or from the bus.)
- Protect bus property and report any vandalism.
- Follow the driver’s instructions about safety on the bus (eg. instructions on where to sit).
- Keep arms, legs and other parts of your body inside the bus.
- Only attract the attention of the driver in the case of an emergency.
- Remain seated.

Parents are reminded that if you have any concerns or issues with bus behavior, timetabling, routes, etc then you should ring the **bus operator, Mr Steve Lindsay** on 63319780 or talk to the **bus driver Mr Alan Doak** on 65473567 at home or mobile (not as reliable) on 0428392343.

Serious incidents that happen on the busses will also be dealt with according to the school discipline policy, and parents are welcome to discuss any concerns with the school.
ABERDEEN HORSE SPORTS
James and Millie competed at the Aberdeen Horse Sports on Friday, 12 September. James came 5<sup>th</sup> in his hack and in his rider, and Millie came 3<sup>rd</sup> in her rider and 1<sup>st</sup> in her hack. James came 3<sup>rd</sup> in his keyhole and 6<sup>th</sup> in bending while Millie came 5<sup>th</sup> in bar aft. James also came 6<sup>th</sup> in bar aft. Well done to these two keen riders. We are so glad you enjoy competing and representing our school.

CRICKET GALA DAY
Three boys’ and two girls’ teams travelled to Aberdeen last Thursday to compete in the ‘Milo T20 Blast Cricket’ gala day. The students had a wonderful day, and some, who had not played cricket before, came away having learnt lots about the sport, as well as having grins on their faces for being a part of some successful teams. One senior boys’ team, Denman Heat, won 3 out of 4 games, and the other senior boys’ side, the Strikers, won 2 out of 4. The junior boys won 3 out of 4 games, as did the senior girls. The junior girls team, coached by ‘super coach’ Miss Peters, won all four games they played! Well done, girls! Thanks to Mr Bryant, Mrs Lawson, Miss Peters, Mr Gallagher and Jackson for coaching the teams on the day.

THE SPORTING CHALLENGE CHAMPION
This week our sports challenge champion is: Hunter, Year 5
- For his sportsmanship and encouraging and caring attitude to other students during the Cricket Gala day. Well done!

CALENDAR
Tuesday 16.9  - School Disco, 5.30-7.30pm
Wednesday 17.9 - District Spelling Bee Finals, Singleton
                 - Out of uniform day
Thursday 18.9 - Author Visits at St James, Muswellbrook
Friday 19.9  - Kinder Assembly, 11.15am
              - Last day of Term, Reward Day

Next Term
Monday 6.10  - Labour Day
Tuesday 7.10 - Students & Staff Return
Thursday 9.10 - Year 6 Assembly

MILO INTO CRICKET
Registration for Milo Cricket is today Tuesday 16 September from 4.30pm to 5pm at the Denman Cricket Ground.
Sessions will commence on 7 October from 5pm to 6pm for boys and girls 5 to 8 year olds. The program will run for the duration of Term 4. Cost is $40.00 which includes a Milo Cricket Pack.

DENMAN PRE-SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 2015
Denman Children’s Centre is now taking pre-enrolments for 2015. Forms are available from the Centre (65472355) or the Denman Post Office. Places are filling fast, don’t miss out!!!

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION SCHEDULE 2015
Five orientation days will be conducted in Term 4 this year for students possibly enrolling at Denman Public School in our Kindergarten class in 2015. The term four dates are as follows;
- Stage 1 will be held on Friday, 17 October, students and parents - 9.30 to 11.30am;
- Stage 2 will be on Friday, 31 October, students only - 8.50am to 1.10pm;
- Stage 3 will be on Friday, 14 November, students only - 11am to 3pm;
- Stage 4 will be on Friday, 28 November, students only - 8.30am to 3pm; and
- Stage 5 on Friday, 5 December, parents only - 15 minute interview with Miss Kyriakou.

We expect the following children to come to the orientation program and will send an invitation soon: Luke, Payton, Keira, Rhys, Emma, Cianan, Dante, Haydon, Heidi, Ada, Theodore, Brodie, Bailey, Max, Gloria, Ella, Lily, Alex, Riley, Dawson, Toby, Jade, Connor and Hamarni …… so far.

For enrolment in 2015, please contact Denman Public School on 65472491 for an information pack.