NEWSPAPER - Term 4, Week 8

25 November 2015

ROTARY DINNER – Tomorrow night for Year 6 & Parents
The Denman Rotary Club conducts a dinner for all Year 6 students from the five local primary schools each year. There is always a guest speaker to address the soon-to-be high school students. This year the dinner will commence at 6.30pm tomorrow night, Wednesday, 25 November. The president of the RSL Board will also announce the winner of the RSL Bursary. Mrs Jones

ANOTHER KINDER ORIENTATION DAY
The new Kinder group has been very well behaved and seems to enjoy their time at big school. Thank you to Miss Kyriakou, the Learning Support Officers and the buddies who make the program a great success.
We look forward to the next Kindergarten Orientation Day, all day this Friday.
- Friday, 27 November - students only, 8.30am to 3pm in Kinder with Miss Kyriakou
- Friday, 4 December - parents only, 10 minute interviews with Miss Kyriakou

FRIENDLY KIDS
Ethan, Year 5 - for clearing up the lunch areas without being asked
Haydon, Kindergarten - for being a great friend to his peers in the playground

WONDERFUL WORKERS
6 – Tallulah, Emma, Jake
K – Haydon, Emma, Ada
1 – Darcy, Rory, Jesse
5 – Harris, Amber, Imogen
3 – Sasha, Blade, Riley
4 – Jordanna, Tyla, Nadia
2 – Brodie, Remmi, Chloe-Ann

P&C COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD - for Term 4
Nominations are due this Friday, 27 November and the Award will be presented at the school Assembly in Week 10.
Nomination forms are available from the School Office and completed forms are to be returned in a sealed envelope marked "P&C Community Spirit Award".

PRESENTATION NIGHT
Please remember that the school’s Presentation Night will be held on Monday, 14 December commencing at 7pm. This is the school’s premier event for acknowledging and celebrating student achievements during 2015.
It is important that all students attend so they are available to receive an award on the night.

DENMAN EXAMINER
The magnificent “Denman Examiner”, our school magazine, will be available on Tuesday, 15 December (the day after Presentation Night). The “Examiner” will cost $30. Order forms will be distributed in the near future. If you would like to view previous years “Denman Examiners,” they are on display in the office foyer. Mrs Fuiono
YEAR 5 CLASS NEWS
The Year 5 students have been very busy in Term 4. In literacy we have been studying Australia by looking at traditional Australian poems and writing our own. We are also reading a book called ‘Misery Guts’ by Morris Gleitzman and writing information reports about Australian sea life. This has linked in with our History unit this term as we are learning all about significant people and events in Australian History. We have also been looking at famous Australian artists and have created some excellent artworks in response to this. In Creative Arts, we have been singing with Mr Clare and dancing with Mrs Whiteman to practice for the Year 6 farewell. We have really enjoyed ourselves! This term we have also been busy learning lots of new concepts and facts in Maths as well as studying “Space” in Science. As well as all of our school work we have been playing some great games in PE like T-Ball.
Last week we had another visit to Muswellbrook High School where we participated in Music, PE and visited the farm. Year 5 has been working very hard on all these things and more this term and are looking forward to all the exciting things to come at the end of the year!

INTERRELATE - Sex Education Lessons
Last Thursday, sex education lessons were presented at Denman Public School. Many thanks to Mrs Hayne and Mrs Jones for their work in booking and running this night for the students and parents of Denman Public School. What a great success!

SRC CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
The SRC pay for the transport to and from the pool during the “Learning to Swim” school. Included today is a book of 5 raffle tickets to be returned by Monday, 7 December. Prizes are:
1st Magnificent wooden bench seat
2nd Crochet blanket and doll
3rd Candle Set
4th Car phone holder

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY
Borrowing has ceased. Please return ALL LIBRARY BOOKS by this Friday, 27 November. Library staff has begun a stock take of books and need all books returned.
Thank you to the children who have returned their library books.

FOCUS - STUDENT WELLBEING - A GOOD SLEEP ON SCHOOL NIGHTS
Children need a good sleep each night to be able to cope with the challenges of school. They need to have lots of energy for trying new activities, making friends, listening, following instructions and being confident learners.
A good sleep will help your child to:
• Remember what they learn
• Pay attention and concentrate
• Solve problems and think of new ideas
• Play sensibly

OSBORN’S BUS TRAVEL IN 2016
Any child starting Kindergarten and wanting to travel on the bus will need to fill out a blue bus application form (Needs to be signed, stamped and dated by the school). Children going into Year 3 and Year 7 need to fill out a blue bus application form PENDING being eligible for FREE travel. (Needs to be signed, stamped and dated by the school)
Any child who has had an address change will need to fill out a blue bus application form PENDING being eligible for FREE travel at the new address.
We are accepting 2016 applications now BUT they will not be processed until January and will be ready for collection when the bulk of passes are processed. All bus passes need to be collected from the office from mid-January (53-55 Maitland Street Muswellbrook, located behind Bearepairs)
NO APPLICATION WILL BE PROCESSED UNLESS IT IS SIGNED, STAMPED AND DATED BY THE SCHOOL. If you are unsure if a child will be eligible for FREE travel in 2016, please feel free to contact the Osborn’s Buses office and we will help with this process.

Miss Duggan

Mrs Jones

Monica
KIDS CORNER - Riley, Year 3 - Great acrostic poem about swimming

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

Wednesday 25.11 - Kate Cummings & Kristy Watson  
Friday 27.11 - Milisa Borg & Julie McCauley  
**NEXT WEEK**  
Monday 30.11 - Simone George & Felisha Nebauer  
Wednesday 2.12 - Lee Mills & Jaymee Wilton  
Friday 4.12 - Angela Barry & Renee Wallace

**CANTEEN NEWS - Lunch Ordering**

Could everyone please use lunch bags, either paper or the reusable one (available for $10 from school). Please make sure child’s name, their class, order and price are on lunch bag. Please remember all canteen helpers are **volunteers** so try to make the lunch bag process easier. Should there be any issues with lunch orders, canteen helpers will endeavour to do their best to accommodate. Please remember to ask nicely.

**UNIFORM SHOP - COFFEE & CHAT - Special Days**

The uniform shop will be open for parents wishing to buy for next year this **Friday, 27 November**, from 8.30am to 10am - for parents wishing to get uniforms for next year. Come in and grab a coffee or tea and have a chat as well on this day. 

There will also be a special uniform day on **Wednesday, 27 January**, from 9am to 11am - “maybe they could grow over the holidays?”

Otherwise, the Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Friday, **8.30 to 9am**.

**SECOND HAND UNIFORMS**

It’s time to clean out the cupboards and get rid of any old or unwanted uniforms. We need **more second hand uniforms** and would appreciate any donations. Please send to the office.

**CANTEEN HELPERS NEEDED**

Canteen workers are desperately needed for 2016 as we are losing at least three teams of two. Please return the slip below as soon as possible.

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**CANTEEN - Please return asap**

I can help with canteen in 2016 on (please circle) - Monday Wednesday Friday

Name........................................................................................................... Contact Number ..........................

By placing a contact number you are agreeing to being placed on a contact list that goes to all volunteers. Volunteers will be able to contact each other to replace if unavailable on your turn.

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SWIMMING SCHOOL - has commenced well - 2 days completed.
Intensive Swimming will continue every day (except Friday) until Tuesday, 8 December.
The main points to remember about the swimming school are as follows:
- No cost for the tuition, although $2.60 pool entry needs to be paid to Mr Byfield each day or in one lump sum. Cheques need to be made out to “Muswellbrook Shire Council”.
- Students need to bring swimmers and towel every day, even if it is raining! The school will decide if any day needs to be postponed.
- Students will be travelling to the pool by bus.
- No flippers or goggles! Tie your hair back and use sun screen!
- The timetable for this activity is as follows: 9.30 am - Year 4/5/6 10.00 am - Year 3 10.30 am - Year 2 11.30 am - Kinder 12.00 pm - Year 1

GREAT CRICKET SEASON
The Denman Public School cricket team has enjoyed a fantastic season which ended last Wednesday when they were defeated by Tamworth South Public School in Tamworth. The knockout started back in February with over 360 teams and after wins against Singleton, Aberdeen, Nulkaba and Wirreanda; we met the North West champions in round 6, finishing in the top 16. Denman won the toss and batted first. After losing early wickets to the NSW PSSA State opening bowler, we went to the drinks break at 2 for 43. This due to a great partnership of 40 runs by Coombsie (25no) and Hunter (29). We were pleased with our final total of 7 for 74 after 25 overs as everyone did their best.
We bowled with good accuracy and picked up two early wickets. At 2 for 33 the scores were similar but the new batsmen attacked well and we had no answer to his great shots. They passed our score in the 16th over.
Brock bowled 5 overs and took 1 for 32, Nicholas bowled 2 overs taking 1 for 5 and Mason bowled well taking 0 for 9 from 3 overs.
Thank you to the parents for transporting the players the near and far and Mr Ball for scoring. A huge thank you goes to the coaches of the Denman Junior Cricket association for their assistance and support. Keep up the great work!
Well done; Brock, Jed, Hunter, Nicholas, Lane, Taj, Josh, Brodie, Jayden, Will, Harris, Mason and Ashton.

CALENDAR
Wednesday 25.11 - Swim School
- Ab Ed Cultural Lessons
- Rotary Dinner & RSL Bursary Presentation, RSL 6.30pm
Thursday 26.11 - NO Assembly
- Swim School
Friday 27.11 - NO Swimming
- Kinder Orientation Day 4, 8.45 to 3pm (All day)

Next Week
Monday 30.11 - Swim School
Tuesday 1.12 - Swim School
Wednesday 2.12 - Swim School
Thursday 3.12 - Swim School
- NO ASSEMBLY
- MHS Orientation Day, Year 6
Friday 4.12 - No Swimming
- Kindergarten Interviews

STUDENT PROFILE REPORTS – need to be returned!
Each student will receive their yearly report on Tuesday, 15 December. This profile report was distributed at the end of Semester 1 and it needs to be returned now if you have not already done so! We need to display Semester 2 work samples and the “End of Year” report in the profile report for all students to keep at the end of the year.