HELPERS’ MORNING TEA - Tomorrow, 11am
The staff members of our school will hold a morning tea tomorrow, Wednesday, 9 December, at 11am until 11.30am in our school hall. It is for parent and grandparent helpers to say ‘thank you’ for all your help. Much appreciated!
School Staff

INFANTS PERFORMANCE - Tomorrow, 11.40am
All the infant students have been very busy practicing for their Christmas performance. The performance is a Christmas Variety Show. There will be poems, songs, jokes and a play called “Christmas Around the World”. The performance is on tomorrow at 11.40am at the RSL Club, straight after the morning tea. Please come along and watch the concert. The students enjoy performing it.

THE INFANTS “DE-FACTA” CONCERT –Tomorrow, 12.15pm
The DE-FACTA final for classes K-2 will be conducted at the Denman RSL tomorrow at 12.15pm (after the infants Christmas performance). There will be singing, jokes, dancing and gymnastics. The primary students will walk down to watch and parents are most welcome to come along as well. In the final are; Georgia, Georga, Heidi, Keira, Xavier, Haydon, Dawson, Phoenix, Phoebe, Toby, Theo, Brodie, Diego, Sanita, Kaliea, Indya, Caitlin, Abby and Matilda. See you there!

FRIENDLY KIDS
Brodie, Year 6 – for helping his friends in difficult situations
Zali, Year 1 – for helping her friends and the teacher to pack away and tidy up

WONDERFUL WORKERS
2 – Jarryd, Jody, Blake
4 – Lachlan, Kyle, Kate
K – Haydon, Heidi, Ada
1 – Zali, Talia, Kaliea
5 – Lequisha, Tara, Sharni
6 – Ashleigh, Maicey, Tenahya
3 – Rhyme, Georgia, Jazmin

YEAR 6 FAREWELL – Thursday night commencing at 6.15pm
The Year 6 “Farewell” will be held this Thursday night, 10 December at the RSL Auditorium, commencing at 6.15pm. Parents you need to get in early to take your pictures as the children will be asked to be seated at 6.15pm. Students need to remember their very best manners and “best” casual clothes. The night will finish at 9.00pm.

CAPTAINS’ ASSEMBLY - 10am
The Captains’ Assembly is the last assembly of the year this Thursday, 10 December at 10am. Children in all classes from Year 1 to Year 6, who have not received their behaviour award this year as yet, (Bronze, Silver, Gold & Honour Badges) may be eligible and may be presented with awards at the Captains’ Assembly. The school’s Aboriginal Dance groups will also perform at this assembly.
WHO WILL OUR CAPTAINS BE IN 2016?
Will it be Brayden, Jed, Brock, James, Mason, Will or Alex? .. and
Will it be Amber, Jasmine, Emerson, Jaclyn, Lily, Imogen, Ashtyn, Tara or Lequisha?

Come to our Presentation Night next Monday and find out!

PRESENTATION NIGHT
Presentation Night will be held at the Denman RSL Club next Monday night, 14 December. We look forward to seeing many parents on this night to recognize the achievements of our students. Please note the following details:

- Children should not arrive at the club until 6.45pm.
- Children assemble at the Crinoline Street side of the club on the grassed area.
- Parents enter the auditorium through the normal entrance at 6.45pm. (Locked until then)
- The evening will commence at 7pm sharp. Please be seated by this time.
- Children should be dressed in full school uniform.
- No hats or caps are to be brought to the club.
- Parents are requested to keep preschoolers with them during the night and not let them go to their brothers or sisters, who will be sitting in class groups at the front of the room.
- Please ensure that children go to the toilet before coming as we wish to avoid using the toilets unless there is an emergency.
- The RSL will be cool and comfortable. Parents are reminded that the auditorium is a drug free zone - no smoking or alcoholic drink. We look forward to seeing you on the night.

YEAR 3 CLASS NEWS
Wow...the end of the year has certainly rolled around quickly. What another busy term it has been with Zumba, scripture, chess, CAPA lessons, intensive swimming and visiting performances. This week is the last week of homework for the year with only the Maths Plus text books needing to be returned on Thursday. I know there are a lot of smiling faces hearing that news!!! Monday night, 14 December is our school presentation night and we look forward to seeing Year 3 there wearing their school uniforms proudly. We are very proud of the achievements of all students. The class has certainly grown, developed, improved and become far more independent from the infants children we met at the start of the year. To celebrate what a successful year it has been we will be having “Reward Day” on Tuesday, 15 December. We ask all children to bring a plate of food to share for a class party. Children may also like to bring a board game to play with friends. No electronic games permitted. Twister, Guess Who, Monopoly, Uno and Battle Ships are always favourites. Children will be taking their books, artwork and profile report home on this day. Please pack a sturdy plastic bag or fabric bag for children to carry these items home.

The final day of school is “Clean Up” day, Wednesday, 16 December We would like to thank the students and parents of Year 3 for making 2015 a great year. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Enjoy the holidays and good luck in Year 4 next year. Mrs Whiteman and Mrs Saunders

DEFACTA
Congratulations to the DeFacta Stage 2 winner; Braith – such a great voice! Well done also to Sasha second and Georgia third.
Who will win the Infants DeFacta ????. Come and watch this popular school event!
KIDS CORNER - Georgia, Year 3 - A Great Book Review

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 9.12 - Robyn Thompson & Jenny Pascoe
Friday 11.12 - Kylie Dennis & Lee Mills

NEXT WEEK
Monday 14.12 - Recess only! - no lunches!
Wednesday 16.12 - NO CANTEEN

CANTEEN NEWS
NO Canteen - next week - no lunches!
No Canteen - in the first week back next year.
Thank you to the many new faces we have on the canteen roster. Included today is the roster for Term 1 next year.

CANTEEN SPRING CLEAN
The canteen committee wish to refresh the canteen with a spring clean and paint job!
We are looking for helpers for the last week of school, (Monday, 14 to Friday, 18 December).
If you can help, please contact me on 65 410 656 or 0409 848 570.
We will let people know which days you are needed so we have enough without having too many people on the same day. Thank You, Lee Mills

DENMAN EXAMINER – Last Chance!
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 went out last week and need to be returned to the office with money by this Friday, 11 December.

SPECIAL UNIFORM DAY - 2016
The uniform shop will be open for parents in 2016 from 9am to 11am - on Wednesday, 27 January.
Otherwise, the Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Friday, 8.30 to 9am. Come in and grab a coffee or tea and have a chat as well on this day………

SRC CHRISTMAS RAFFLE - return all tickets
The SRC Christmas raffle will be drawn on Thursday, 10th December at the last assembly of the year. Please return all tickets sold or unsold.
1st Prize is a magnificent wooden bench seat;
2nd Prize - a crochet blanket and doll;
3rd Prize - a candle set; and
4th Prize - a car phone holder.
Don’t forget to grab your wooden bench seat from Tony Graham on 0428663559, the SRC are buying two to start with as “Buddy Benches”
NEW PRINCIPAL & ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL FOR 2016
The new Principal (replacing Mr Bryant) in 2016 is Mrs Stephens and the new Assistant Principal (replacing Mr Floyd) for 2016 is Mr Garner. Both positions are being filled in an acting capacity with possible interviews later in 2016 to decide these positions for 2017 and beyond.

OUT OF UNIFORM DAYS
Students can also come out of uniform next Monday, 15 December so that uniforms will be fresh and clean for Presentation Night. Also out of uniform for party day on Tuesday, 17 December. However, on Wednesday, 18 December, clean-up day and the last day of school, all students attending must wear their school uniform.

CLASS PARTIES - another out of uniform day
Class parties will be held for each class next Tuesday 15 December. Come in party clothes. Most classes will have their party in their classrooms. Class parties commence at approximately 12 noon. Each class teacher will inform students of the food, drink and game requirements. Children are reminded that some foods will be shared. The canteen will not be open.

REWARD DAY
This term reward day will also be next Tuesday, 15 December, commencing at 1.30pm. Well done! Stage 1 will watch a Movie in the Kindergarten room; Stage 2 will watch a Movie in the Year 3 room or play board games in the Year 4 room; and Stage 3 will watch a Movie in the Year 6 room.

LAST DAYS OF TERM
The last day of school for students this year is Wednesday, 16 December 2015. Teachers will come to school and participate in professional development and planning activities for the 2016 school year on Thursday, 17 December and Friday, 18 December.

SCHOOL TERMS 2016
TERM 1 – Wednesday, 27 January to Friday 8 April (11 weeks)
TERM 2 – Tuesday, 26 April to Friday, 1 July (10 weeks)
TERM 3 – Monday, 18 July to Friday, 23 September (10 weeks)
TERM 4 - Monday, 10 October to Tuesday, 20 December (11 weeks)

CALENDAR
Wednesday 9.12 - Ab Ed Cultural Lessons
- Parent Helpers Morning Tea, 11am
- Infants performance 11.30am
- The “DE-FACTA” Final, Infants, RSL Club, 12.15pm
Thursday 10.12 - Year 6 Captains Assembly & Aboriginal Performance, 10am
- Year 6 Farewell, RSL at 6.15pm
Friday 11.12 - Class Sport

Next Week
Monday 14.12 - Presentation Night, 6.45pm – (out of uniform)
Tuesday 15.12 - Party Day, 12 noon and then Reward Day, 1.30pm – (out of uniform)
- Profiles go home, 3pm
Wednesday 16.12 - Clean Up Day – (in uniform)
- Students Last Day
Thursday 17.12 - Staff Only
Friday 18.12 - Staff Only

DENMAN AQUATIC CENTRE
Anyone interested in intensive swimming over the school holidays please contact Ray or Mark on 65472333 or 0407933042 … You will have to fill out a Learn to Swim Form with the child’s details. The lessons will go for 10 days and will be conducted in the 2nd and 3rd week in January.
The dates are as follows:
* 11 Jan 16 to 15 Jan 16 – Week 1
* 18 Jan 16 to 22 Jan 16 – Week 2

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