COME TO OUR EDUCATION WEEK
Remember to be involved in celebrating Education Week with us this week; activities will include:
- Thursday, 30 July - Assembly & Open Classrooms - 11.15am to 1pm
- Thursday, 30 July - District Awards Ceremony, Muswellbrook High School, 5pm
- Friday, 31 July - Zone Athletics

OPEN DAY
Parents, Grandparents and friends are invited to our “Open Day” this Thursday, 30 July;
11.15am - Assembly including the dance items 12.00pm - Open Classrooms
The students would love to celebrate Education Week with you, so join us at school this week.

DISTRICT EDUCATION WEEK CEREMONY
This year, Education Week activities will include the District Awards Ceremony at Muswellbrook High School, this Thursday afternoon 30 July, commencing at 5pm.
Denman students, staff and community members have been nominated for awards. More information about the award winners in next week’s newsletter.

FRIENDLY KIDS
William, Year 5 - for happily and politely assisting teachers in his own time

WONDERFUL WORKERS
K – Emma, Alex, Jade
4 – Tully, Kate, Josh
2 – Jarryd, Toby, Conner
1 – Latisha, Kaitlyn, Hayley
5 – Ashtyn, Jaclyn, Emerson
6 – Tasmyn, Tenahya, Nicholas
3 – Freddy, Jazmin, Harsimran

GREAT SCIENCE RESULTS
This year, 18 Denman students sat the Australian Schools Science Test along with more than 200,000 students across Australia. Skills in observing, measuring, predicting, investigating, reasoning and problem solving were tested.
Student results were very pleasing with 2 High Distinctions, 1 Distinction and 8 Credits.
Congratulations to Ashton (Year 3), 99% (that is 27 out of 30 questions), and Patrick (Year 3), also 99% (also 27 out of 30 questions) achieved high distinctions and were placed in the top 1% in the state. Outstanding work!
Congratulations to Phoebe (Year 4), who achieved a distinction and was placed in the top 10% in the state. Excellent work!
Well done also to Conner (Year 2), Deakon (Year 3), Rachel (Year 4), Miles (Year 4), James (Year 5), Imogen (Year 5), Taya (Year 6) and Jenna (Year 6) were awarded credits and placed in the top 25% in the state. Great work!
STATE FOOTY RUNNERS UP
Congratulations to the Open footy team on their magnificent season.
Last night’s close loss to Erina Heights Public School, 14-12, was the end to a 13 game run of wins that saw them reach the final of the state all schools open B division, for school with less than 200 pupils in their primary grades.
Well done to the boys and girls, also to their coaches and manager.
Thank you to the parents and supporters.
All results and report will be included next week.

Mr Bryant

YEAR 6 NEWS
So far this term has been great! Many of our classmates have participated in the ‘Hunter Dance Festival, the school Athletics Carnival Take 1, then Take 2, and the Knights Knockout. These events have been very successful and we thank all the people involved.
This week we have so many activities happening - State Footy, Education Week and the school public speaking finals. Congratulations to Phoebe, Jenna and Ashleigh, who will be representing Year 6.
In class we are studying a book by Australian author, Allan Baillie, titled ‘Little Brother’. It is about an 11 year old boy, and is set in Cambodia, which is a country we don’t know very much about. We are each going to complete a project on this country.
Yesterday, our class had a visit from two lovely ladies who will be teaching us at Muswellbrook High School in 2016 - Miss Kelly and Mrs Young. They did two lessons with us - one was History and the other was Literacy. It was fun and interesting.

Emma and Tallulah

CYBER SAFETY
This term in Computer classes, students will be learning about how to stay safe online.
Please use the esafety.gov.au website as it contains information and related links to support parents in keeping kids safe online.
You can also stay up-to-date with the latest cyber safety news, advice and resources by signing up for their newsletter online.

Mrs Ballard

WOOLWORTH'S EARN and LEARN PROGRAM 2015
Denman PS is once again participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, which commenced last Wednesday, and will run until 8th September.
You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent. Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and when it’s complete, the Points Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here in the school’s administration entry area.
Many thanks, Mrs Jones

CHESS TOURNAMENT
We wish our chess players competing in the Upper Hunter Schools chess competition next Thursday at the Denman RSL club. We wish you the best of luck.
Kings - Nicholas, Hunter, Vadym and Patrick
Knights - Brodie, Ashton, Jayden and Hayden
Rookies 1 - Mason, Harris, Ethan and Liam
Rookies 2 - Hasimran, Tyla, Ella and Vinnie
KIDS CORNER - Toby, Year 2

CAANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 29.7 - Lee Mills & Jaymee Wilton
Friday 31.7 - Michelle Owen & Casey Hewitt
Next Week
Monday 3.8 - Amanda Collins & Kerri Brown
Wednesday 5.8 - Robyn Thompson & Jenny Pascoe
Friday 7.8 - Angela Barry & Renee Wallace

CAANTEEN NEWS
Reusable insulated lunch bags ($10) are now in stock at school. The bags are on sale at the office and uniform shop. Lee Mills

P&C CHRISTMAS IN JULY RAFFLE
Please remember to sell and return your P&C "Christmas in July" raffle tickets this week.
1st Prize Apple MacBook-Air computer donated by Coolmore (value $1500)
2nd prize is a Gift Hamper, including Two Rivers Wines (value $90)
3rd prize Gift Hamper (value $60).
The "Christmas in July" hampers are now on display in the school office, come in and have a look at the prizes. Kim Wolfgang

DENMAN SCOUTS GROUP - Today's children, tomorrow's leaders!
Scouting is open to both girls and boys. Come along and try scouting on Monday afternoon at the Scout Hall in Bell Street (just past the footy oval).
Joey's (6-8yrs) meet at 5pm to 6pm. Cubs (7.5-11yrs) meet at 4.30pm to 6pm.
Further inquiries contact Sonia Barnes - Group Leader on 6547 2129 or 0408 064 529.

P&C FUNDRAISER
We are fundraising again, however this time we are not asking for donations or selling raffle tickets. We have joined a referral program whereby we will be paid a commission for any person we introduce once their loan is settled with the NAB in Muswellbrook.
So anybody considering a new loan; be that a home loan or business loan and you are considering the NAB please mention Denman Public School during the initial meeting for our school to benefit. If you would like Matthew Jeans, from the NAB to contact you, the referral page is https://www.tomorrowfinance.com.au/partner/688 Brenda Daniel

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY
This Friday, 31 July, the SRC would like to hold a “JEANS FOR GENES” day to support the Children’s Medical Research Institute by wearing jeans to school.
We would like everybody to dress in jeans and enjoy the day. Teachers, parents and students could donate a gold coin each towards this charity. Taya and Vadym, School Captains
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL REPORT
A very successful school athletics carnival was held last Friday. The athletes were very busy and very well behaved. All the children participated happily. The day ran smoothly due to the outstanding assistance by a great team of volunteers! Your help was much appreciated. Thank you! Thanks also to those who helped set up and pack up the tents and equipment. The carnival results are as follows: 1st Arrowfield – 163, 2nd Richmond Grove – 128, 3rd Callatoota – 126, 4th Rosemount – 94 Age champions are as follows:

Junior Girl  Champion Ashtyn  Runner Up Amber
Junior Boy  Champion Taj  Runner Up Ashton
11 years Girl  Champion Georgia  Runner Up Tara & Emerson
11 years Boy  Champion Jed  Runner Up Joshua
Senior Girl  Champion Tasmyn  Runner Up Tenahya
Senior Boy  Champion Renjo  Runner Up Vadym

The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons will be presented week 5 with all first place ribbons awarded at the school assembly, Thursday, 13 August (Week 5).

Ms Borg

ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Good luck to all the students attending the Upper Hunter PSSA Zone Athletics Carnival at Scone this Friday, 31 July. We will need to leave from the front gate at 7.45am to be at Scone by 8.30am as the carnival begins at 9am sharp. Miss Borg, Mr Davies and Mr Bryant will accompany the students. Please, please return all your notes and money by tomorrow or Thursday!

Students need to wear their school sports uniform, sunscreen and a hat. Make sure to take recess, drinks, lunch and/or money for the canteen.

Ms Borg

BASKETBALL GALA DAY
Tomorrow Wednesday 29 July, our boys and girls basketball teams will travel to Maitland for a basketball gala day. The girls team is as follows; Lequisha, Ashtyn, Tasmyn, Amelia, Lily, Sophie, Lucy and Chelsea. The boys team is as follows; Jayden, Jed, Jake, Vadym, Brodie, Nick, Renjo and Will. The girls play at 9.30am and the boys at 10am. During the course of the day will play against schools from Nulkaba, Pelaw, Ashtonfield, Bolwarra, Thornton, Tenambit and Kearsley. We wish them, Mrs Whitten and Mrs Ballard all the best!

Ms Borg

DYNAMITE FITNESS – EMPOWERING KIDS!
Dynamite Fitness is a certified Outdoor Group Fitness Program for children, created to provide fun fitness activities to promote healthy habits for life. Please ensure your child has with them a hat, sunscreen, sports shoes and drink bottle each week. Permission notes and money need to be returned asap. ($4 each week or $20 to cover the whole program.) The sessions will be run each Friday commencing 7 August.

Ms Borg

THE SPORTING CHALLENGE CHAMPION
This week our sports challenge champions is: - Tasmyn, Year 6
- For her 100% effort in all events at the Sports Carnival.
  She is the quiet achiever!

Ms Borg

CALENDAR

**Wednesday 29.7**
- Basketball Gala Day, Maitland
- English Test, 9am

**Thursday 30.7**
- Education Week Assembly & Open Day, 11.15am
- Education Week Ceremony, MHS 5pm

**Friday 31.7**
- Zone Athletics Carnival, Scone
- Jeans for Genes Day

**Next Week**
**Tuesday 4.8**
- Year 2 Cake Day

**Wednesday 5.8**
- Aboriginal Workshops, 9am

**Thursday 6.8**
- Chess Tournament at Denman
- Year 5 Assembly, 11.15am

**Friday 7.8**
- Dynamite Fitness
- Canteen Meeting