BOOK FAIR - continues tomorrow and Thursday
The theme for Book Week this year is “Books light up our world!” Classes have been studying the short listed books in the various categories during their library lessons. Thanks to the parents and grandparents who came to the “Stop, Drop and Read” morning and Book week assembly this morning. Many parents were able to have a look at Book Fair afterwards and purchase a book or two.

Book sales continue this Wednesday 19, and Thursday 20 August. Remember, you are invited to come and purchase some books for your children before school, at lunch time or after school at our Book Fair. Children will be given an opportunity to look at the books during library lessons in that week, and write a ‘wish list’ of books they may like to purchase.

Our school’s goal is to sell 300 books, and we hope to achieve this, with your help. Every sale at the Book Fair benefits our school, so join us in making our Book Fair a big success for Denman Public School library and help encourage your child’s love of reading. Mrs Jones

DENMAN LIBRARY VISITS (70 years of Book Week)
Library visits to Denman Library the week after Book Week has been booked for Tuesday 25th August, for our students to participate in a visit by author, James Roy.

James is an Australian writer who writes primarily for young adults and children and is a well-known and popular visitor to schools and festivals throughout Australia, where he conducts author talks and readings. He will be sharing stories and thoughts on this very special Book Week occasion, celebrating 70 years of this event. Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2 will visit the Library from 10am, and Years 3 and 6 will be there from 11-11.40am. Mrs Jones

FRIENDLY KIDS
Jody, Year 2 – for helping her friends and teacher to pack and tidy up
Lachlan, Year 3 – for trying to stop another student putting themselves in danger

WONDERFUL WORKERS
5 – Beau, Lily, Hayden
2 – Samuel, Phoebe, Brodie
6 – Tallulah, Phoebe, Jayden
K – Bede, Heidi, Emma
3 – Bella-Rose, Ashton, Vinnie
4 – Tyla, Abbeylea, Noah
1 – Abby, Layla, Talia

YEAR 3 & 4 EXCURSION
Year 3 & Year 4 will depart on their excursion to Lake Keepit tomorrow at 7am. The students will arrive home Friday, 21st August between 4.30 and 5pm. Any outstanding excursion payments need to be paid asap.

Parents please bring your child to school by 6.40am so that bags, toilets, medications, etc can be organised before leaving.

Please make sure that all medication is clearly labelled and handed to either Mr Clare or Mrs Whiteman. Souvenir money should be placed in a labelled envelope. Please also make sure all belongings are well labelled with your child’s name. Mr Clare & Mrs Whiteman
YEAR 3 NEWS
Once again it’s hard to believe we are half way through another fun-filled and busy term. Year 3 are continuing to work hard and develop their independent work skills. In writing, we have been learning how to join independent clauses together with a conjunction and our use of adjectives has also been quite impressive. In science we are looking at the movement of the earth, sun and moon. It has been very interesting and we are challenging some of the beliefs we have about this concept. Maths groups are looking at basic mathematics concepts and problem solving skills are being enjoyed by all students. Parents remember to oversee the times tables practice sheet and spelling homework as less than half the class are handing this in each Thursday. The class has thoroughly enjoyed the athletics rotation for sport and has been far more settled during their activities. The excitement is building as we prepare for the excursion to Lake Keepit. Forms are in and it sounds as though most students have the items they will be required to pack for a fun-filled few days away at camp. We look forward to another 5 weeks of learning prior to the end of term 3
😊 Mrs Whiteman and Mrs Saunders

ZONE PUBLIC SPEAKING FINAL
Congratulations to Jenna, Imogen, Will and Patrick for representing our school so confidently at the recent Upper Hunter district public speaking competition in Singleton. All speakers were very competent and showed courage and skill. Special congratulations to Patrick as winner of the stage 2 section. Patrick will now compete in the Hunter and Central final in Newcastle later in September. Well done and all the best to Patrick in his next competition. Mrs Jones

HOMEWORK CLUB
The school Aboriginal Education Committee has provided funds to employ Mrs Shepherdson to conduct a “Homework Club” for Aboriginal students each Monday afternoon from 3.15 till 4.15pm. Please ensure that your child has their homework with them if they are going to stay at school. Mrs Fuiono

INFANTS’ EXCURSION – Early Notice
This will take place on Tuesday, 1st September, and will be to the Hunter Wetlands at Shortland. It will involve Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students. The cost will be $20 per student. The note (excursion details, permission note and medical note) was sent home with each student yesterday, Monday, 17th August. The permission note, medical note and payment of $20 is due back NO LATER than next Wednesday, 26th August. Miss Kyriakou

PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE CHALLENGE
The statewide Premier’s Spelling Bee Challenge has been taken up by our students. Our school “Spell Off” will be conducted on Wednesday, 3 September, commencing at 12 noon. There will be three divisions; Years 5/6, Years 3/4 and Years 1/2. Don’t forget to practice the lists which have been sent home for each class.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE - Look on the Premier Reading Challenge website. Please log your child’s Premier Reading Challenge books before this Friday, 21 August to be eligible for the participation certificate. Use your child’s school computer log on details.

BOOK FAIR
Our schools Book Fair will be held again tomorrow and Thursday. If you can help us conduct the Book Fair, please let me know. Mrs Jones

We care for books by:
- Keeping them in a protective bag, eg library bag or plastic bag.
- Keeping them dry.
- Keeping them away from pets, toddlers or any other source likely to cause damage.
- Turning the pages carefully.
- Using a bookmark to keep our place, ie. not “dog-earing” the pages.
- Opening books carefully without cracking the spine and not bending paperbacks.
- Notifying the teacher or librarian when repairs are needed.
- Keeping them in a safe place to avoid losing them.
**KIDS CORNER**
- Talia, Year 1

**Great labelling**

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

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**Woolworth's Earn & Learn Program 2015**

We have had lots of completed sheets placed into the Collection Box in the school’s administration entry area. Thank you!! It’s great to see so many families support the school in this initiative. We are always able to redeem the points for many great resources, which benefit all students in the school. This will run until 8th September, so please, keep them coming in.  

Many thanks, Mrs Jones

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**Canteen News**

**Parents**... Don’t forget to get a coffee, tea or hot chocolate ($2) at the canteen each Thursday when you come to the school assembly.

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**Uniform Shop**

The school uniform shop is open for sales each **Tuesday and Friday mornings at 8.30am**.

**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

Christine Bailey

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**Father's Day Stall**

We will hold a stall on **Friday, 4 September** commencing at 9am in the school hall.  
There will be plenty of gifts for all students wishing to purchase.

All classes come to the Father’s Day stall. Helpers are required; please contact Kim Wolfgang.

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**P&C Community Spirit Award**

The Community Spirit Award recognises Denman Public School students who demonstrate leadership and/or make a significant contribution to achieve excellent results.

**Nominations are due by Friday, 4 September** and the Award will be presented at the school Assembly in Week 9.

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".

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**Denman Little Athletics**

The 2015/16 athletics season will commence on **Wednesday, 14 October at 6pm**. (1st week Term 4)

Online registration are now open so register online.

There will be two registration days held on **23rd September** and **7 October** between 4-6pm.

**Kids, come along on Wednesday, 23 September** because it will be a fun night with numerous novelty events, athletic events and a sausage sizzle.  

Chantel Blake - 0431204667
SINGLETON NETBALL GALA DAY
Last Friday 27 children travelled to Singleton to participate in the Singleton Netball Gala Day. Congratulations to all children who played so very well and had outstanding behaviour throughout the day.

The senior girls played some of the best netball of the day. They demonstrated great skills, knowledge of the game and teamwork to each team that they faced. The senior girls’ competition was by far the hardest of the day as all teams had previous netball experience. The senior girls won 2 out of 5 games winning against King Street and Mayfield.

The senior mixed demonstrated fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship at the carnival. With 6 footy players in the team we saw some very interesting ball skills. The senior mixed team finished 3rd by the end of the day and had a lot of fun winning 3 drawing two and losing one.

The junior girls left the court after each game knowing they were improving, although they didn’t win any of their 4 matches. Their ball skills and general understanding of the game had improved out of sight throughout the day and at the end of the day were very happy to have scored 3 goals.

Thank you to all the parents who provided transport and/or came to cheer our players on. Special thanks to Amanda Collins and Dave and Kerri Brown for managing the 2 senior teams. Thank you also to Macey, Halle, Lucy and Monique for their superb refereeing. Miss Hassett

DYNAMITE FITNESS LESSONS
Students in Years 3 to Year 6 have been enjoying “Dynamite Fitness” boot camp for sport each Friday. Students paying weekly are reminded that if they miss a weekly payment to please bring $8 the next week. Please remember “Dynamite” costs $4 per week. Thank you, Ms Borg.

REGIONAL ATHLETICS
Ten students have progressed to the regional level in Athletics. The regional carnival will be held next Friday, 28 August at the Hunter Sports Centre, Stockland Drive, Glendale.

Congratulations to the following students who will be attending the regional carnival:

On the day, students need to report to the Upper Hunter team manager, Mrs Vicki Schofield.

CALENDAR - BOOK WEEK
Wednesday 19.8  - Year 3&4 leave for Lake Keepit
- Aboriginal cultural lessons
- [Book Fair] in hall 1pm
Thursday 20.8  - NO ASSEMBLY
- [Book Fair] in hall 1pm
Friday 21.8  - Dynamite Fitness
- Year 3&4 Return

Next Week
Wednesday 26.8  - Hunter Maths Exam 9am
Thursday 27.8  - Year 3 Assembly
- Happy Tooth Talk, 10am
Friday 28.8  - Dynamite Fitness 9am
- Hunter Athletics, Glendale

THE SPORTING CHALLENGE CHAMPION
This week our sports challenge champion is: ……. Elise, Year 5
* For her enthusiasm and excellent application playing netball at the Singleton Gala Day. She was a great defender, never giving up and encouraging team mates. Well done!

HEALTHY HINTS - Dairy foods are important for strong bones and teeth
The Australian Guide to Healthy Eating recommends children eat 2-3 serves of dairy foods, such as milk, cheese or yoghurt each day. Why not try including these high-calcium containing foods:
- milk on cereal or a tub of yoghurt at breakfast
- cheese on crackers after school
- fruit smoothie as a drink, fruit in custard and fruit for dessert.