DENMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL
Learning and Growing Together in a Caring Environment

NEWSLETTER - Term 3, Week 8
1 September 2015

SPELLING BEE FINALS
Our school will hold the Premier’s Spelling Bee Challenge final this Thursday, 3 September commencing at 10am in various rooms. Parents are most welcome to come along.

Stage 3 - Jenna, Maicey, Emma, Phoebe, Isabella, James, Brayden and Mason – in the Year 6 Room
Stage 2 - Phoebe, Rachel, Sophie, Jordanna, Ashton, Patrick, Reegan and Harsimran – in the Year 4 Room
Stage 1 - Phoebe, Conner, Brodie, Cory, Kaitlyn, Diego, Caitlyn, Hayley and Jesse – in the Library

Well done to our finalist for working so hard during the past 5 weeks and all the best in the finals!
First and second place getters in the Stage 2 and 3 competitions will then progress to the Upper Hunter Spelling Bee finals, to be held at King St Public School, Singleton, on Monday, 14th September. Best of luck, girls and boys!

FRIENDLY KIDS
Rachel, Year 4 – for kindly supporting a sick friend on an excursion
Xavier, Kindergarten – caring for an older upset student during the lunch break

WONDERFUL WORKERS
5 – James, Georgia, Tara
K – Heidi, Xavier, Dawson
1 – Jesse, Lucy, Jonathan
4 – Miles, Colbei, Declan
6 – Abymbae, Jorja, Ashleigh
2 – Lauren, Taylor, Mary-Jane
3 – Lizzie, Morgan, Cooper

FATHER’S DAY STALL
Our Father’s Day Stall will be held this Friday, 4 September commencing at 9am in the school library. Presents are priced between $1 & $6. We would appreciate helpers on the day to wrap presents and man tables, so please come along if you have a little spare time.
Parents, if you do not wish your child to buy from the Father’s Day stall, please send a note for their teacher.

P&C 'Christmas in July' RAFFLE
The raffle was drawn at Assembly last week, with the winners as follows;
1st - The Morrison family 2nd – Hayley 3rd - Kelly Maslen

We were pleased to see the major prizes won by members of our school community. Thanks to those who bought tickets; Coolmore and Two Rivers for their donations; and a special thanks to the people who took time to sell tickets at various venues including the Denman RSL, Muswellbrook RSL, the Denman Farmers Market and at a stall in Ogilvie Street.
The total raised for our children was $1206! … If you have any suggestions for the use of money raised, please contact the school and/or come along to our next P&C meeting.

COFFEE 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.

Kim Wolfgang

Lee Mills
YEARD NEWS
It’s hard to believe we have less than 3 weeks left of this term! And what a busy term it has been. It started with the excitement of representing our houses in the school athletics carnival. Although we weren’t there for long, we had a great time competing and watching the older children compete as well. The year 1 students all presented some wonderful speeches last term, and the public speaking finals in week 3 were great, with Caitlyn winning our grade final. Well done to those students who practiced and presented speeches in class. The children also enjoyed having their parents and grandparents visit them in class during Education Week. It was nice to see so many parents come in and see how the students use their xo’s. We have managed to squeeze lots of school work in amongst all of this, and our History and Science units this term have the children fascinated, and have caused lots of interesting discussions in class. By the time you read this, we will be home from our trip to the Shortland Wetlands Centre. I’m sure we will have had an exciting and fun filled day! We still have our Spelling Bee finals this week (good luck to Kaitlyn, Diego, Caitlyn, Hayley and Jesse), and a school dance and reward day in week 10 before we can enjoy a well-earned holiday! Then we’ll be ready for an exciting and full- on term 4! Stay safe! Mrs Fuiono

YEAR 1 SPECIAL ICE-CREAM DAY
Because there are a few tubs of ice-cream in the canteen, left over from the Aboriginal Cultural Day, we have decided to use them to sell ice-creams instead of cakes on the Year 1 cake day. The Year 1 parents are asked to have a rest from cooking this term, and if possible come along to help serve ice-cream cones at recess next Tuesday, 8 September. Some of the children might be able to bring in an ice-cream scoop for us to use on the day. The ice-creams will sell for $1 and they will even have sprinkles. Please bring along some money to help Year 1 raise money for the SRC. Mrs Fuiono

INTERRELATE - Sex Education Lessons - Early Notice
A special evening program will be presented at Denman Public School on Thursday, 19 November. Session 1 - “Where Did I Come From?” for Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 will commence at 6pm sharp Session 2 - “Preparing for Puberty” for Yrs 5 and 6 (Yrs 3 & 4 at parent’s discretion) at 7.15pm Family Admission: 1 session: $25.00 or 2 sessions: $30.00 (You can pay at the door) Children must be accompanied by an adult. Mrs Jones

RSL BURSARY
Each year the RSL donate a bursary to one Year 6 student in the district. Students wishing to sit the test in Term 4 must return their permission note by Monday, 14 September or sooner. This will give the RSL Club enough time to check parent membership.

CORE RULES FOR STUDENTS
Core rules for student behaviour have been developed to establish consistent expectations in all government schools in support of community values. The critical role of parents and care-givers is recognised as the primary influence on each child’s character and behaviour and as essential partners in supporting the core rules and the successful education of their children. Our school expects the highest possible standard of behaviour and learning from our students.

THE CORE RULES
All students in NSW government schools are expected to:
• Attend every school day, unless you are legally excused, in class on time prepared to learn.
• Maintain a neat appearance and adhering to the requirements of the school’s uniform code policy.
• Behave safely, considerately and responsibly, including when traveling to and from school.
• Show respect at all times for teachers, other school staff and helpers, including following class rules, speaking courteously and co-operating with instructions and learning activities.
• Treat one another with dignity and respect.
• Care for property belonging to themselves, the school and others.

Behaviour that infringes on the safety of others, such as harassment, bullying and illegal or anti-social behaviour of any kind, will not be tolerated.
KIDS CORNER - Taylor, Year 2 - Excellent Handwriting

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 2.9  - Robyn Thompson & Jenny Pascoe
Friday 4.9  - Michelle Owen & Casey Hewitt

NEXT WEEK
Monday 7.9  - ????? & Simone George (Can you help?)
Wednesday 9.9  - Lyn Barry & Sue Coombes
Friday 11.9  - Julie Faber & Claire Thrift

P&C COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD
Nominations are due this 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".

BOOK CLUB
Book club leaflets are included with today's newsletter and need to be returned by this Friday, 4 September. Please return in an envelope marked “Book Club” (make sure child's name is on order form) If paying by cheque, please make it out to Scholastic. Mrs Stair

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

DENMAN COMMUNITY GARDEN
The Kids Garden Club will recommence this “Spring” for 10 weeks each starting next Tuesday, 8 September until 20 November, 2015.
If you are aged between 5-15, keen to grow plants for food and fun, are crafty and enjoy digging in the garden ... then come along to our Kids Club and learn all about growing plants in a very “Hands On” kind of way!
All tuition, materials and craft activities provided, just bring a bottle of water, gardening clothes, sun hat and sunscreen .... and lots of enthusiasm! The cost is $30. Contact Snez on 0439 956913.

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

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Annie the alien ate an apple
and gave another to an ant
that walked by. 

lovely
REGIONAL ATHLETICS
Last Friday, the Regional Athletics Carnival was held in Glendale. Our athletes performed very well against athletes from the entire Hunter Region. Results were as follows;
- Renjo – 1st in 100m, 200m & Long Jump; and 4th in Shot Put;
- Ashtyn – 3rd in 800m. Congratulations to both Ashtyn and Renjo who progress to the state championships at Homebush in October.
Other great results were as follows;
- Taj Bone, was 3rd in his 100m heat;
- Hunter, 12th of 19 in Discus;
- Tasmyn, 5th of 15 in Shot Put;
- Ben, 14th of 19 in Shot Put;
- Senior Boys Relay of Jed, Brodie, Vadym and Renjo, were placed 7th overall. Congratulations to all athletes on their excellent results.

THE SPORTING CHALLENGE CHAMPION
This week our sports challenge champion is: - Keira
* For great running in the Beep Test at infants Boot Camp.

CALENDAR
Wednesday 2.9 - Aboriginal Lessons
- PSSA Boys Cricket Trial, Maitland
Thursday 3.9 - Spelling Bee Final, 10am
- Year 1 Assembly, 11.15am
Friday 4.9 - Dynamite Fitness 9.30am
- Father’s Day Stall, 9am
- Cricket match at Aberdeen, 10am

Next Week
Tuesday 8.9 - Year 1 Cake Day
Thursday 10.9 - Kinder Assembly
Friday 11.9 - Dynamite Fitness 9.30am
- Canteen Meeting 2pm

HEALTHY HINTS - Great Lunchbox
“1+2+3+ Water”
1. Pack a sandwich, roll or wrap
2. Add a vegetable and fruit snack
3. Pick 2 or 3 more healthy snacks

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION SCHEDULE 2016............
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, 16 October, students and parents - 9.30 to 11.30am;
- Stage 2 will be on Friday, 30 October, students only – 8:50 to 1.10pm;
- Stage 3 will be on Friday, 13 November, students only - 11am to 3pm;
- Stage 4 will be on Friday, 27 November, students only - 8.45am to 3pm; and
- Stage 5 on Friday, 4 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:
- Charlotte Head, Jade Vincin, Jai Sullivan, Hamarni Rolfe, Ruby Radcliffe, Ashleigh Wright, Gloria Hollingshed, Reeve Stacpoole, Archie Thrift, Keedan Blake, Nate Morrison, William Betts, Eddy Whiteman, Braydon Smith, Shiloh, Hughie Anderson, Tyler Scott …….. so far.
For enrolment in 2016, please contact Denman Public School on 65472491 for an information pack.

WOOLIES EARN & LEARN
Time is running out for you to send in your Woolworths “Earn and Learn” vouchers – the promotion ends next Tuesday, 8th September, 2015.
The collection box in the school’s administration office is becoming quite full, but there is still plenty of room for you to send in your vouchers. If you don’t have any sticker sheets, please give the school office a call, or simply send in the stickers and we’ll do the hard work for you!