REGIONAL PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE FINAL
Phoebe, Rachel, Brayden and James represented the school brilliantly at the regional Spelling Bee finals held at Singleton yesterday. All students went out in the 4th round, except for Phoebe who won the junior primary section in the 7th round.
Phoebe will go to Sydney in November to contest the state final. Congratulations Phoebe!

SCHOOL DANCE – TOMORROW 5.30pm
Tomorrow, Wednesday, 16 September, we will hold a school dance at the Memorial Hall commencing at 5.30pm and concluding at 7.30 sharp. Admission - $2 per student or $5 per family
Drinks - $1, Chips - 50c. The SRC have decided on a “80s” theme. 
Leg Warmers and Leggings; Frizzy Hair and Mullets; High Waist Denim and Long Skirts; Taffetta and Ruffled Bubble Skirts; Hyper Colour and Fluro Colours.
We will have great music to entertain us with fun games, competitions and prizes to be won.

REWARD DAY
This Friday, September 18, the students will be participating in our end of term ‘Reward’ afternoon. Students can come out of uniform in the theme of “LOUD SHIRT”. Students are required to make a gold coin donation with all monies raised going to a charity. They will have a variety of activities as a reward for their good behaviour. The activities commence at 2pm.
Infants can look forward to construction toys and games in the undercover area, while the primary classes will participate in outdoor games.
Students who are below 17 licence points will not participate. They will be supervised by a teacher, and they will be completing school work. Mrs Fuiono

OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES & EXCURSION FEES
Invoices for unpaid excursion fees and school fees will be distributed this week. Included will be excursion fees for Year 3 & 4 to Lake Keepit, as well as the Sydney excursion, school fees and book fees. If you have any outstanding amounts owing, please pay as soon as possible.

FRIENDLY KIDS
Jarryd, Year 2 – for
always looking out for his mates
Lily, Year 5 – for her
beautiful manners at the canteen

WONDERFUL WORKERS
4 – Taj, Will, Lachlan
5 – Sharni, Will, Harris
6 – Tasmyn, Renjo, Emma
3 – Sasha, Riley, Blade
2 – Jeb, Lillian, Toby
1 – Matilda, Rory, Tobey
K – Dawson, Brodie, Bede

TERM 4 DATES
Term 4 resumes for both teachers and students in NSW public schools on Tuesday, 6 October. The last day for students this year will be Wednesday, 16 December.
We wish you and your family a happy and safe September/October school holiday.
YEAR 6 NEWS
This term has been another challenging, yet inspiring experience in the Year 6 classroom. We have thoroughly enjoyed studying the text “Little Brother” by Allan Baillie, and learning all about the culture and history of the wonderful country that is Cambodia. The final chapter of the text even brought tears to some Year 6 eyes! It has been rewarding to witness the improvements that every single student is making in their learning each day and just as importantly in the kindness and tolerance being shown towards fellow classmates – thank you, Year 6!
Next term will be filled with learning, excitement and growing, but it will also be a time of reflection, memories and friendship building as the girls and boys complete their final few weeks as students of Denman Public School. It is also important to remember that while there will always be plenty of opportunities for fun and laughter, there is still a need to be the best you can be every single day, and to make sensible choices that will allow you to hold your heads high.
Have a terrific holiday, and rest your brains because they will need to be at full strength in Term 4!

HUNTER & CENTRAL COAST “CAPA” CAMP
Last week, five Year 6 girls went to Myuna Bay to participate in the annual Hunter Central Coast CAPA camp, directed by Shane Brandson. This year’s theme was World of Colour.
Amelia and Phoebe were doing art. They did a range of different activities including print making, painting shades and patterns. Maicey went to the camp for dance. She learnt about the Holi Festival and how throwing colour shows love. She did a Bollywood style dance which included traditional moves and some hip-hop moves. She also did another dance which was contemporary and ballet, which represented blowing up, deflating and floating balloons.
Taya went for Drama. She learnt about how to convey colours into emotions and actions as well as how to focus even when you have someone distracting you. Drama was split up into three groups for the end performance. Taya’s group piece represented how when we get older we lose our colours. Jenna attended classes in music, and she learnt about body percussion. The music group also sang a song called ‘Bella’ by Angus and Julia Stone which focused on the learning of harmonies and melodies.
For the finale, everyone participated in a carefully choreographed dance routine that included a mash up of several well-known songs such as Pink Panther, 99 Red Balloons, Men In Black, I’m Blue, White Noise and Firework. We all had a great time and are so thankful to Mrs Jones and Mr Bryant for giving us this amazing opportunity.

SCHOOL CAPTAIN ELECTIONS - New process revised 2015
School Captains are elected in November. All Year 5 students have a copy of the following policy.

Eligible Students
- A student’s behavioural progress will be monitored during Years 3, 4 and 5 and an Honour Badge is presented early in Term 4 in Year 4 and Year 5.
- Any student who is awarded an Honour Badge in Year 4 or in Year 5 is eligible to nominate for school captain. (Year 5 for the following year)
- The awarding of Honour Badges will be determined by records kept according to school behaviour management system administered by the Principal.
- Students will be eligible if they have been at the school for at least 3 terms, (Day 1 -Term 1)
- The number of nominees will depend on the number of students in Year 5 with an Honour Badge, at the time of the election, (Week 4 Term 4).

Election Preparation
- Students approved for the election will prepare speeches to present to the school to promote their cause. Speeches will be ONE minute and 15 second maximum. Students will be given a bell at 1 minute exactly. They can wind up and conclude within the 15 second extension.
- Speeches will be presented at an assembly after recess on the same day as the election.
- All teachers will conduct a lesson with their class on what makes a good captain and what each nominee said in the content of their speech. The lesson will be conducted after the speeches.
- Voting slips will be made up with nominee’s names in alphabetical order.

BEHAVIOUR AWARDS
Honour Badges will be presented at the first assembly in Term 4 to worthy Year 4, 5 and 6 students. It will be the Year 6 assembly in Week 1.
KIDS CORNER   -  Lilian, Year 2  -  Great Letter Writing

Dear Lillian,

Dark blue here, We Need to talk.
I know you like drawing seas,
Seasies and other things that are blue but I am getting small.
I am still your favourite colour though. Can I get a break I work on the holidays and even
on schooldays from dark blue crayon.

Lilian, Year 2

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 16.9  -  Kate Cummings & Kristy Watson
Friday 18.9   -  Angela Barry & Renee Wallace
NEXT TERM
Wednesday 7.10  -  Lee Mills & Jaymee Wilton
Friday 9.10   -  Michelle Owen & Casey Hewitt

P&C NEWS
We would like to thank the Hunter Mutual Bank for their kind donation of $2,200.03 through their Community Partnerships Program. We appreciate the size of the donation and thank those who bank with the Hunter Mutual Bank as it is your business from which we benefit. Jo Betts

RETIREMENT DINNER AND BOWLS
The P&C would like to acknowledge the fantastic contribution that two former staff members made to our school over a number of years, Sandra Wolfgang and Ron Floyd. We will be holding a retirement dinner and bowls afternoon (casual) at the Denman Bowling Club on Saturday, 17 October. The function will commence at 4pm with bowls until 6pm. Dinner will commence at 6.30pm. Any past students and parents are welcome to come and help us honour the careers of Mrs Wolfgang and Mr Floyd. Amanda Collins

P&C SUGGESTION BOX
The P&C and the school would like to see greater community engagement in our school at all levels. To assist you in giving your suggestions as to how we can continue to improve our beautiful little school we have placed a SUGGESTION BOX at the entrance to the school for you to slip your suggestion in at anytime. We will take these suggestions to Mr Bryant and the staff so that parents have a voice even if they cannot make our P&C meetings. Thanks, Jo Betts

TERM 4 SCHOOL STAFFING
We wish Ms Borg the very for the birth of her baby due in November. Miss Duggan will replace Ms Borg on Year 5 during Term 4. Miss Duggan comes highly recommended and knows Denman as she was a student teacher here two years ago.
Mr Davies will stay on with us during Term 4 working each Friday and assisting with focus programs and sport. We welcome both of these fine young teachers to our staff.

SCHOOL HATS - HOT WEATHER
We have a “No Hat, No Play!” policy. Students need their hat each day. School hats are available in three styles from the office for $10 each. Please support the school in this important health issue.
HUNTER REGIONAL CRICKET SELECTION
Congratulations and the best of luck to Hunter and Jed on their selection in the Hunter Area cricket team to play in the state PSSA championships at Barooga in late October. Well done!

MILO “IN2 CRICKET” PROGRAM
The Denman Junior Cricket Club will be running the “Milo Into Cricket” program again this year. Sessions will be held each Tuesday afternoon from 5-6pm for boys and girls 5 to 8 year olds. The cost is $40 per child. The program will run for the duration of term 4. Registrations will be held outside Precious Pieces from 3.30pm tomorrow, Wednesday, 16 September and 11am on Tuesday, 22 September. Brochure included with today’s newsletter.

DENMAN JUNIOR CRICKET
Registrations for Denman Junior cricket teams will be held outside Precious Pieces from 3.30pm tomorrow Wednesday, 16 September and 11am on Tuesday, 22 September. Costs are $55 for the first child and $70 per family. All players receive a playing shirt. Vanessa 65473668

CALENDAR

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ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY AND REMEMBER TO BE CAREFUL

HOLIDAY KIDS CLUB

When; Tuesday, 29 September at the Anglican Parish Hall from 10am until 2pm
Theme; “Running the Race” - Games, games, more games and craft!
Morning tea and lunch provided. Gold coin donation accepted. All welcome between 5 and 12 years.
Children must be signed in and out by a caregiver. Rev Jody Zammit & Sonia Barnes

SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP
Don’t miss the tennis camp during the holidays at the Muswellbrook Tennis Club courts on Tuesday, 22 September, 8.30am until 12.30pm.
Costs $40 per child - Run by Brad Westgate Tennis Academy. Call Brad on 0403195100

DURING THE HOLIDAYS ......TAKE YOUR MARK! SET! ....
.... GO to Denman Oval on Wednesday, 23rd September between 4.00 - 6.00pm because it will be a fun night with numerous novelty events, athletic events and a sausage sizzle.
Register for Little Athletics ! Registrations are now open so you could also register online.
The 2015/16 athletics season will commence on Wednesday, 14 October at 6pm. (Week 2 Term 4)
There will be another registration day held on 7 October between 4-6pm. Chantel - 0431204667