## **DENMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL**

# NEWSLETTER

20TH JUNE, 2025

WEEK 8, TERM 2

# PRINCIPAL'S LUNCH & BADGES

The Term 2 Principal's Lunch will be held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June (Week 10).







Eligible Year 1, 2 and 3 students will be presented with their Gold, Silver and Bronze Badges at the K/1 special assembly on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July (Week 10).

## YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS



## **CONNIE CONFIDENCE**

Rylee - Demonstrating confidence and dedication in the 2025 Star Struck performance. A fantastic DPS role model!



## PETE PERSEVERANCE

Claire - Displaying outstanding perseverance in Maths groups to ensure she has a clear understanding of the task!



### OSCAR ORGANISATION

Addy - Demonstrating increased participation and independence in all Key Learning Areas.



## GABBY GET-ALONG

Tom G - Displaying initiative and providing support in his role as SRC representative to lead school fundraising activities.



## **RICKY RESILIENCE**

Shelbie - Trying her absolute best when faced with challenging problem solving in complex maths tasks.

### **STAR STRUCK**

Star Struck 2025, WOW, what a performance! 16 outstanding representatives of Denman Public School performed in this year's Star Struck, "Rewind" at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre. Rehearsals for this performing arts extravaganza commenced in early Term 1 with the group submitting an audition video and then being allocated a very fun, fast pace and complex jazz routine to Sing, Sing, Sing. The group practiced during their lunchtimes at school and travelled to Newcastle on three separate occasions to learn important choreography and group formations along with approx. 150 other students from across the Hunter. The major dress rehearsal day was HUGE with students departing Denman at 6.30am and not getting home until 8.30pm! Students were very excited when Friday 13th June arrived as it was show day!!! The group were thrilled to have a 30 DPS students, Miss Biles, Miss Kime and Mrs Saunders in the audience for their first performance. The energy (and noise) backstage was electric, the group danced their little hearts out impressing everyone in the audience. The group had a well-earned rest on Friday night and then backed up for their Saturday Night performance. This show was a sell out with many families in the audience keen to watch the girls shine under the big lights. By this stage, the girls had become pros with their makeup and following backstage procedures. There was a lot of fun backstage with the peg challenge and school flag competition. Once again, the group danced beautifully making the Denman community very proud!

Congratulations to Aleeya, Allirah, Ari, Bonnie, Claire, Ebony B, Ebony T, Jazmyn, Lizabelle, Nia, Pippa, Ruby, Rylee, Scarlett, Shelbie and Zoe who all displayed exceptional behaviour and DPS values at every rehearsal and performance. We wish to extend our gratitude to Blackhall Legal and Whiteman Welding who generously sponsored our group and covered the cost of the beautiful costumes. Thank you to everyone who supported our cake stall and to the P&C, these funds contributed to each student's participation fee. Thank you to all the families who assisted with transport and to Mrs Lawson and Mrs Whiteman for their commitment to the group. It was a wonderful experience for our students with lifelong memories being made.





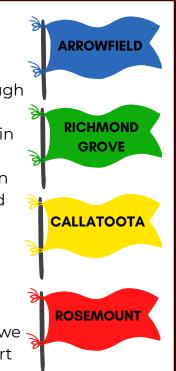


BLACKHALL Star Str. LEGAL



### **2025 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

On Thursday 5th June, DPS held their annual Athletics Carnival at Weeraman Oval Muswellbrook. There was quite a lot of heavy rain in the lead up to the carnival but thankfully the track was in good enough condition, so we were able to go ahead. The morning was very chilly, but team spirit was high with many students and teachers dressing in their house colours ready for a day of fun events and friendly competition. With an amazing number of parent helpers available on the day we were able to get through more events than expected and results will be tallied once high jump across all age groups is completed. Congratulations to all our students who once again showcased our school values by doing their personal best and encouraging their peers. Thank you to everyone who came along to help run events and cheer on the amazing talent we have here at Denman. The P&C did a wonderful job organising a pizza lunch and we extend our gratitude to Muswellbrook Little Athletics for their support with marking lines and allowing us to borrow equipment.



The Upper Hunter Zone Carnival will be held on Friday 25th July. Students progressing to this level will be notified by the end of the term.















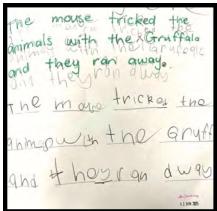


K/1

Lillian - Kindergarten

Kindergarten have been focusing on articulating and recording their ideas. Lillian explained key details in her 'Gruffalo' picture and copied her sentence with enthusiasm. Great work Lil!







Year 1 Isley

Year I used the Sydney Vivid Festival as inspiration for their artwork. Isley created a bright and colourful 'light display' on her Opera House and used a black watercolour wash to simulate the night sky.

Great work Isley!







Year 2

# Bailey

This term, Year 2 have been refining their fundamental skills during PE lessons. Bailey consistently displays determination to achieve his best, willingly taking on feedback to improve his form. His persistent attitude and hard work paid off at the school athletics carnival with Bailey completing the 800m race with an impressive time.









Year 3 Cooper

Year 3 have been focusing on the /or/ sound in spelling lessons. Cooper accurately copied out his list words and then used them to write some creative sentences. He even experimented with some different sentence types we have been learning in grammar lessons - declarative, exclamatory and interrogative.

Keep up the great work Cooper!



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editor haunt daughter author
squauk doorbell seashore explore
ignore almost bald chalk awar
mreward quarter brought
thought.
Love popiorn.
I have a haunted houseur
Earth orbits the sun.
ring the doorbell.
got an award today.
I'm not bald.
(an explore?
Can draw with chalk?
I have a good memory.
I brought a Pickle.



Year 4 Oliver

Year 4 were tasked with writing and publishing an acrostic poem on a selected fruit. Oliver produced a one in a MELON piece of work! Great job Oliver!



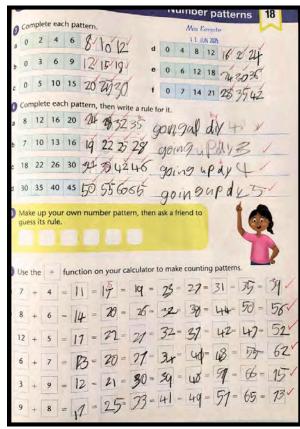


Year 5 Clancy

Year 5 have been looking at number patterns in maths lessons. Clancy used his knowledge of skip counting to help him find the next numbers in the pattern, and the rule they follow, all by himself.

Fantastic effort Clancy!







Year 6

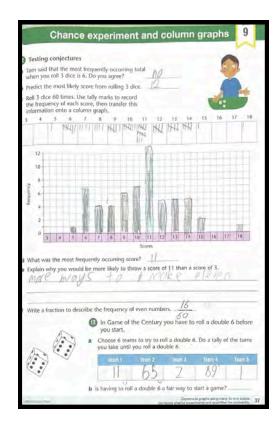
Xavier

Year 6 took their CHANCES in maths throughout the week.

Xavier worked hard calculating probabilities and making
predictions, thinking critically about outcomes with

confidence.





### PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Students from Years 3 to 6 who are completing the Premier's Reading Challenge have been given an extension to have all books read entered on their reading log. Student reading logs are now due on Friday 19th September. Students need to read a total of 20 books (10 books from the PRC list and 10 personal choice books).

Congratulations to Stella and Grace N who have already completed the challenge. Well done to Penny B (Yr 6), Acacia, Lara, Isla-May and Claire who are also well on their way to having 20 books read by the closing date.





# OPENING HOURS 2025! FRIDAY MORNINGS 8.30AM - 9.00AM OR ORDER ON MYSCHOOLCONNECT

TERM 2	
Friday 20/6	Year 2 assembly
Tuesday 24/6	Denman Library Visit - Year 1 Bush Tucker presentation - Year 4 & 5
Wednesday 25/6	Muswellbrook HS visit - Year 5
Thursday 26/6	Premier's Debating Challenge @Aberdeen PS

# **SAVE THE DATE**

FRIDAY 4/7/2025 (WEEK 10)

K/1 ASSEMBLY

(K/1 & Gold/Silver/Bronze Badges)

LAST DAY OF TERM





# Have a conversation using these 4 steps



How are you travelling?

You don't seem yourself lately – want to talk about it?

# **Ask R U OK?**



I'm here to listen if you want to talk more.

Listen

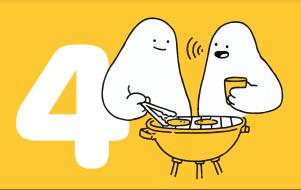
Have you been feeling this way for a while?



What do you think is a first step that might help you?

Have you spoken to your doctor about this?





Just wanted to check in and see how you're doing? Have things improved for you since our last chat?

**Check in** 



Learn more at ruok.org.au

# How to stay connected and ask R U OK? any day

## Start by asking, 'are you OK?'

No, I'm not OK.

Yes, I'm fine.

But your gut says they're not:

Dig a bit deeper:

"What's been happening?"

"It's just that you don't seem to be your usual self lately."

"Have you been feeling this way for a while?"

"I'm always here if you want to chat."

"I'm ready to listen if you want to talk."

"Is there someone else you'd rather talk to?"

# Listen with an open mind

## **Encourage action and offer support**

"How can I help?"

"Have you thought about seeing your doctor?"

"What would help take the pressure off?"

## Make time to check in

"Let's chat again next week."







Disability Advocacy NSW supports students with disability to get a fair go.

We stand beside students, parents and carers to help with rights, sort out issues and be fully included in their school community.



Provide you with information about your child or young person's rights at school



Help you to communicate effectively with the school



Help you to understand the options available for your child or young person



Help you request extra support for your child or young person



Increase opportunities for self-advocacy



Upskill you with knowledge about reasonable adjustments, the access request process and individual earning plans.

## How to get support

To find out how we can help you please get in touch with your local disability advocacy team:

Get support www.da.org.au Call 1300 365 085 Email: hunter@da.org.au



# Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops







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Denman Vacation Care

## **Denman OOSH**

Denman Public School, 52 Paxton St, Denman, 2328

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Price Key** 

(price per day)

**Day Camp** 

**Incursions** 

**Excursions** 



\$65



\$80



**\$95** 

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2

**Pupil Free Day** 

Monday July 07

## **World Chocolate Day**

Celebrate all things sweet on World Chocolate Day! Children will enjoy chocolate-themed games, creative experiences, and maybe even a tasty treat (or two!) in this deliciously fun day.

## Tuesday July 08

## **NAIDOC** Week Celebration



Today we will mark NAIDOC week by creating some art to be displayed at the centre and we will do some Indigenous sand art for the children to take home.

## Wednesday July 09

## **Krazy Kars**



Buckle up for a high-speed day of remote-control car racing! Children will race, steer and compete in the Krazy Kars Grand Prix—an action-packed experience full of fast-paced fun and friendly competition.

## Thursday July 10

## **Leftovers Day**



We're making the most of our leftover resources from past vacation care days! With craft kits, cushions, diamond art, and more on offer, children can get creative and see what unique creations they can make.

## Friday July 11

## **Wheels Day**



Bring along your bike or scooter and cruise through a day of outdoor fun! Children will ride, race, and enjoy a safe, active day on wheels—don't forget your helmet!



# LEARN, PLAY & GROW AT PCYC THIS JULY!



Book 3 Sessions and Get the 4th Free! Active and Creative Kids vouchers accepted.



