

Denison State School Newsletter

Term 3, Week 2, 2024



Welcome back to Term 3 Denison! I had to ponder what to write before today's article, as there are so many positives about our school, that I want to share with you. I had the privilege of Acting Principal last week in Mr Ryan's absence and what I was most impressed with was how calm and friendly our school campus has been - students are settling into the new routines well after a two week holiday. Parents and community - I hope you get the chance to come visit us in some way this term.



Whether that be through a friendly wink and wave at Stop- Drop & Go, at Parade (held fortnightly on odd weeks), during parent meetings which will be on offer again in week 9 of the term or just as you're passing through for morning drop off.

We are happy to announce that Playgroup will resume again on Mondays 9-10:30am, starting from week 3. We welcome Mrs Peta Peisker who will be our Playgroup coordinator this term. Peta plays a vital role in our school community as a P&C member, Tuckshop worker and parent - be sure to spread the word about Playgroup being back as we have a range of fun activities planned and one of Peta's strengths is her creative skills. Speaking of our Early years, enrolments for Prep 2025 are now being taken via our administration - enrolment packs are available from the front office.

Term 3 is jam packed with events and learning activities to get us through with a continued focus on Student Engagement - at Denison we are working on Positive Culture and Pedagogy to ensure best practice and support across our school. Some of the upcoming highlights to look forward to this term;

- *Year 6 camp
- *Year 3 sleepover
- *Year 1 excursion
- *Science Week
- *Book Week (start planning your costume dress up)
- *Year 5 Leadership activities
- *Year 6 Transition to Highschool activities
- *P&C Carnival

and of course students can look forward to our usual Positive Acknowledgement systems including GOTCHAs working toward individual and class rewards, cohort targets, the bonus barrel draw and our end of term Celebration day as part of our school wide PBL approach.

Last week we acknowledged NAIDOC Week and over this term students will continue to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples through our curriculum learning.



This year's NAIDOC theme is Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud & Proud. The theme honours the enduring strength and vitality of First Nations culture – with fire a symbol of connection to Country, to each other, and to the rich tapestry of traditions that define Abordinal and Torres Strait Jalander peoples. Shout out to Mark

and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Shout out to Mrs Rebecca Anderson who leads our cultural connections at Denison.

You will receive an email this week containing information from your child's teacher/s regarding the Curriculum content being taught and assessed this term. If you have any questions about your child's learning or school activities this term, please contact our school administration or email your child's teacher.

Finally I would like to thank Mrs Michelle Botma, who was our Acting Deputy Principal last week - Michelle has enjoyed her short time at Denison, getting to know our staff and students.

As always, keep an eye out for our school happenings via Facebook and email updates so you are best informed. Mr Ryan and I hope to see some of you at our next P&C meeting being held this Wednesday evening at 6pm in the library.

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Positive Behaviour for Learning

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The beginning of every term when we **re**turn to school is all about the four Re's. **Re**-connecting, **re**-setting, **re**-establishing and **re**-visiting. This is an excellent way to transition from the holidays back to school. From a school perspective this means that, through explicit teaching, students are reminded of safe practices such as being in the right place at the right time, walking on concrete, doing what they need to be doing, sharing equipment safely, when attending the toilet "getting in, getting out and not mucking about" and following teacher instructions.

To support your children in their transition back to school this term it would be great if you could ensure that each

day they bring a water bottle, lunch, a hat labelled with their name, a jumper labelled with their name, their library bag and book on their library day and their homework when they are required to bring it. PBL works best when the whole school community is on board and we thank you for working with us to



ensure that your child has the support they need to be successful every day at school.

Important events coming up.....

15th - 16th July Regional Shield

22nd - 23rd July CHSS Track & Field Trials 26th July Western 7's Rugby Union 8th Aug Prep Vision Screener

19th Aug P&C Pyjama Day Fundraiser 23rd Aug Book Week Dress Up Day

23rd Aug Premier Reading Challenge closes

30th Aug Student Free Day

30th Aug Denison State School Carnival

2nd - 6th Sept Year 6 Camp

12th Sept Prep & Year 1 Fire Truck visit 13th Sept Last Day of Term 3

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ABSENT NOTIFICATION

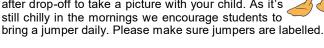
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Classroom Bulletin

Jade Wearne, Kerry Taft & Nikki Mottram

Welcome back to Term 3. Next Monday July 15th, we will be celebrating 100 days of school in our fun "100 -year-old" dress up's and enjoy activities throughout the day. We welcome parents to stay in the morning after drop-off to take a picture with your child. As it's still chilly in the mornings we encourage students to



YEAR 1

Brooke Kropp & Zoe Tyson

We hope you all had a great holiday and are ready for a



jam-packed term! We have had a great first week back settling into some of our new routines. This term in english we are learning to re-tell cultural stories, in math we are exploring how to tell time to the half hour, identifying the value of Australian coins and objects using measuring measurements. Keep your eye out for some

key dates for this term shortly for things such as pyjama day, fete, book week parade and the student free day. Please remember to send your child with a named hat and water bottle every day.

YEAR 2

Rebecca Anderson & Breanna Ellis

We hope everyone had a relaxing break and your child has settled into their new class. You will receive the Term overview



shortly and this will have an outline of what we are doing this term. If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to your child's teacher. Can we please ask that your child brings their hat everyday as outside learning and PE is part of your child's everyday learning. We are also getting another pile of lonely jumpers, please make sure clothing is labelled so they can be taken home.

YEAR 3

Amber Bishop, Tamikah Knickel & Bec Shaw

We are very excited in year 3 to commence our new units of work. This term we are studying the short novel Kumiko and the Dragon by Briony Stewart. Where possible again, we will be connecting this story to our Science, Art and HASS work and

explore themes around images, culture, dragons, Japan. In Math this semester, we are commencing our work with times tables and multiplication. You may be able to help at home to learn/revise times tables, however at school we will also be diving in to understanding/representing multiplication, division and number problems. Look out this term for further information on our Year 3 sleepover! This is our



precursor to camp in the future and all students are encouraged to attend, please start these conversations now with students if they are feeling a little anxious about this. As always, please reach out and speak with teachers if you have any concerns or questions.

YEAR 4

Ben Earl & Kayla Mitchell

This term, our curriculum will include exciting topics such as measurement and fractions in maths, and quest novels in our



reading sessions. We'll also focus on paragraph formation in writing, and explore the properties of materials in science. Additionally, we will be learning about sustainability and how we can contribute to a greener planet. We look forward to a productive and engaging term with your children.



Shelley Whittaker, Craig Parrish & Hope Ponte

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday. As we start this new term, we want to remind you of our high expectations for continued growth and success. We've already seen great improvements in both academic achievements and behaviour from our students throughout the year, and we're excited to see even more progress. This term, we are thrilled to dive into



exciting concepts such as fractions and money, Australian poetry, gold rush history, and other fun projects along the way. Let's make this term the best one yet!

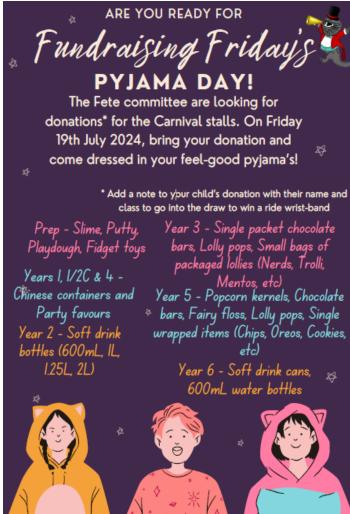
YEAR 6

Sarah Bailey, Jess Walters & Rhys Macalpine

Welcome back to school for term three! One of our most eventful terms of the year, with so much on. We have regional shield

netball and rugby league competitions happening with Miss L, Mrs Dewhurst and Mr Mac respectively. We are all very much looking forward to seeing the sights in Hervey Bay and K'gari for our annual year six school camp, taking place in week nine of this term. Please keep an eye out for any information coming home about camp so that we can make it happen as smoothly as possible. Feel free to contact Miss Bailey, Miss Walters or Mr Mac with any questions or concerns throughout the term.





Student of, The Week

Awards for Week 10, Term 2, Week 1, Term 3, 2024

Class	Week 10	Week 1
Prep A	Ethan	Lee
Prep B		
1A	-	Joy
1B	Lucinda	Rocco
2A	Bailey	Braxton
2B	-	Harlen
3A	Molly	Morgan
3B	Kyle	Mackenzie
3C	_	N'Kyska
4A	-	-
4B	Richard	Leilani
5A	Leroy	Stella-May
5B	Max	Archer
5C		Hunter
6A	Hollie	
6B	Ella-Rihanna	Jacob
6C	Madison	Clinton

Mrs Heslin's Happenings



Bookweek at Denison is a very much anticipated event on our school calendar. The major highlight of this week is our Annual Bookweek Character Parade. We will be holding this at school parade on Friday 23rd August. At this parade, students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book characters or in a costume that reflects the theme of the week which is Reading is Magic.

Denison Playgroup



Free chat and play for families and carers with children aged birth to pre-school.

Denison State School Hall 16 Gray Street, Emerald Mondays 9am - 10:30am Starting back in Week 3 Monday 22nd July 2024

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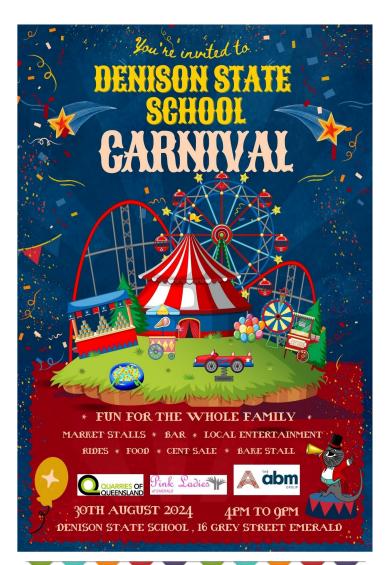
Thank you.

INCLUSION



Welcome back for another term at Denison! Over the last week, the Support Services team have been frantically working to finalise student groupings and timetables. You may receive an email from one, or a number of us, over the next week or so to let you know that your child is benefiting from our assistance this term. This email will fill you in on the specific supports being provided and, of course, you are welcome to get in contact to discuss any concerns you may have.







30 AUGUST 2024

Friday 4pm - 9pm

SPONSORSHIP NEWS...

We are thrilled to introduce our 2024 Fete sponsors! Thank you very much to ABM Contractors our Platinum Sponsor for your very eenerous support!



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Sponsoring the bar in 2024 is...



Helping hands when you need them

Be sure to join us at the bar for a pink cocktail from 4pm til late!

SAUSAGE SIZZZLE...

Fete team are running a sausage sizzle at Mitre 10 on Sunday 28th July.
Can you help us? Please



reach out if you could offer an hour or so to help sell food, drinks, raffle tickets, ride armbands.

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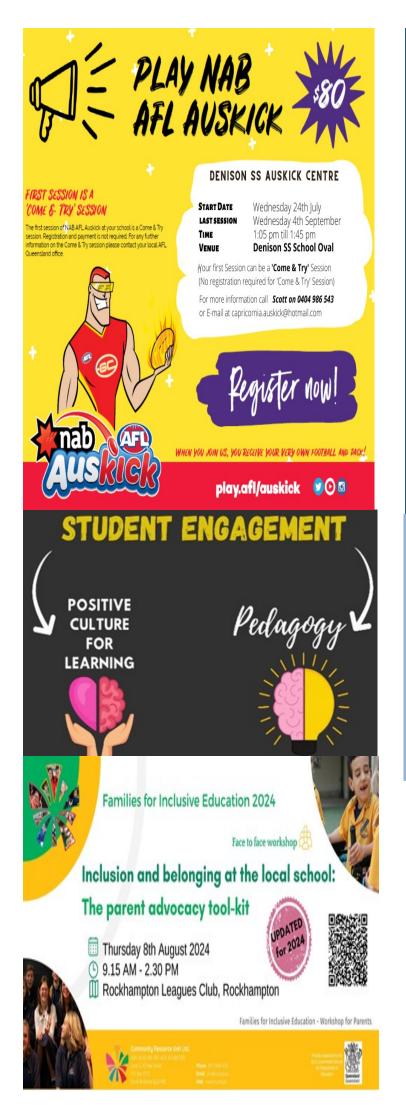
Denison State School Carnival BAKE STALL Conveynor wanted! The Fete committee is after someone to run the Bake Stall for the Carnival on 30 August 2024. If you think this is something you can do, please contact us at denisonssfete@gmail.com













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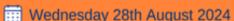
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Families for Inclusive Education

Inclusive classrooms: All children learning together

Workshop for families with children with disability



10am - 11:30am

Online session

Register at www.cru.org.au/events

