Friday 21 November – Week 7 Term 4

Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank You Aunt Tassie

Years 2, 3, 4 and 6 were inspired this week when Auntie Tassie visited from the Torres Strait Islands to share her culture, song and dance. Students learnt the stories behind different traditional songs and sang in the native dialects. It was a wonderful way to connect with the indigenous perspectives explored in many of our lessons. Thank you to the Barbeler family for introducing us to Auntie Tassie.

Class Formations

2015 Class placements

The placing of children into their new classes each year is a complex process. Classes at the DEM are not graded academically and each year we strive to ensure that we have well balanced classes. The following factors are considered;

• Gender
• Academic ability
• Language needs
• Medical needs
• Behavioural needs

When this has occurred we then check to ensure that each child has at least one friend in their new class. Children have been asked to nominate 7 children who they would like to be placed with. The school will then undertake to place each student with at least one of these children. This does not mean they will be placed with their best or closest friends or with their group of friends. In fact often this is not appropriate.

Please do not send requests to class teachers or to myself asking for specific teachers for your child as it would not be appropriate or equitable for us to accommodate these requests.

Exceptional circumstances

Because of the complexity of this process, class decisions are final. If there are exceptional circumstances that need to be considered when placing a student, parents will need to request that the classroom teacher complete a learning support referral form (Exceptional circumstances impacting class placement). This request must be made prior to Wednesday 26 November, 2014. In addition to this referral form, parents may also email me the details of their child’s exceptional circumstances at myra.janes@det.nsw.edu.au

What’s on?

Wed 26 November
Scripture Assembly

Thurs 27 November
*’Thank you’ Morning Tea
*Crazy Hair day - SRC fundraiser for Stewart House

Mon 1 December to Fri 12 December
Swim Scheme

Mon 1 December
Band Spectacular evening

Fri 5 December
End of Yr BBQ

Saturday 6 December
2015 Kindy playdate

Tues 9 December
Year 6 Performance evening

Wed 10 December
P&C Meeting 6.30pm

Thurs 11 December
Year 6 Farewell Dinner
End of Year Festival
Only two weeks to go until the much anticipated End of Year Festival. Ride passes are now on sale at Try Bookings (see page 6 of this newsletter). This year’s festival promises to be another wonderful evening of non-stop fun. The children are busy preparing their dances for your entertainment. Please remember that if you are making cakes or slices for the cake stall you need to label your treat with a full list of ingredients and please do not include nuts. I’m looking forward to celebrating another great year with you on Friday 5 December.

Crazy Hair Day
Don’t forget that next Thursday is Crazy Hair Day. Your child may come to school with crazy hair provided they bring a gold coin donation. This Student Representative Council fundraiser is for Stewart House.

Good bye and Thank You Ray Jenkins
Ray Jenkins’ temporary position as our relieving General Assistant has sadly come to an end. As Ray is also a parent at our school we will continue to see him around the grounds but would like to take this chance to thank him for all of his hard work and contributions to making our school a great place to be. Thanks Ray!

Thank you Morning tea
Don’t forget that next Thursday is our Thank You Morning Tea. If you have volunteered your time in a big or small way please allow us to thank you with this special morning tea at 10:50am in the staff room

Myra Wearne,
Principal
Thank you!

Morning Tea

It has been another busy year and we could not have offered so many opportunities for our students without our wonderful volunteers! If you have helped us along our way to success this year in any way, we would like to acknowledge the valuable contribution you have made to our school this year.

You're invited to an informal morning tea on Thursday 27th November. Please RSVP prior to the event.

**Time:** 10:50-11:30 Thursday 27th November  
**Location:** The area behind the staffroom  
(If raining - it will be held in the staffroom)

We hope to see you there!

I will be attending the Thank You Morning Tea on 27/11/14

Name: ___________________________  Child’s Class: __________

Please return this RSVP to Melissa Tracy
**BAND NEWS**

**Dates for your Diary**

1 December – End of Year Concert

**End of Year Band Concert**

The annual end of year concert for all bands will be held on Monday 1 December at North Sydney Leagues Club.

Details are as follows:

- Students must arrive at the venue between 6pm and 6.15pm, ready for a **6.30pm start**. Students need to bring their instruments and music, and dress in their band uniform (band t-shirt, blue school pants and black school shoes).
- There will be a rehearsal at school for all bands the afternoon before the concert, so students will also need to bring their music and instrument to school that Monday.
- Tickets are **$10 per adult** (kids free).

To purchase tickets please go to the trybooking website and search for 'NSDS' or 'NSDS Band'. Alternatively access the links below.


OR


**Junior Band Recruitment**

The recruitment process for the 2015 Junior Band is now underway, with applications open to all students who will be in Year 3 or above next year. All current Year 2 students have been issued with an enrolment form. If your child wishes to join the band program next year, please return the form to the office as soon as possible.

Applications can also be made online at [www.directionsinmusic.com.au](http://www.directionsinmusic.com.au).

**Enquiries**

Band Committee Secretary, Melissa Lanigan [MELISSA.LANIGAN@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:MELISSA.LANIGAN@det.nsw.edu.au)
They have arrived! The Premier’s Reading Challenge award certificates for those students who have completed this year’s Challenge are here! Starting from next week all students will be receiving their certificate.

This year the following students have been awarded a **gold award certificate** for having done their Challenge for 4 years:


Let’s give a world cup cheer to the following students who have earned **platinum award certificates** for successfully completing the Challenge over 7 years: Grace D, Daisy H, Manjari M, Matilda R, Luna Y and Colina Z. We are all so proud of you!

**Has your child got any overdue books that need to be returned to the library?** Please help him/her to return their books so they may borrow again.

Alice Bennett (alice.bennett3@det.nsw.edu.au)
Teacher Librarian

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**TheDem Community News**

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**Carols on the Hill** 13th December at St Thomas’ Anglican Church, Cnr Church & McLaren Streets, North Sydney. This is a relaxed family event with face painting, a sausage sizzle (gold coin donation) and a puppet show in the church grounds from 5pm with carols beginning at 6pm. Just bring your picnic blanket and come along! Contact the church office on 8908 4800 if you have any queries.

**Greetings from WEP!** World Education Program (WEP) Australia is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation registered with the Education Departments in NSW, QLD and VIC. We are now looking for volunteer host families interested in welcoming an exchange student into their home and family in July 2015. Contact Judith Ortmann Phone: +61 (0) 3 9598 4733 Email: judithortmann@wep.org.au
Your Information Pack to North Sydney Demonstration School

End Of Year Festival

Friday 5th December 2014 – 4.30pm to 9pm

2 weeks to go and counting until our fabulous End of Year Festival! We celebrate the year that has been, say farewell to our Year 6 students and welcome the families who will be starting Kindy in 2015.

This is a fun packed evening for the kids, that will have them buzzing for days plus a great opportunity to meet other parents and families & a night off from cooking, what’s not to love?!

Fun to be had for all ages……..

We will have our usual selection of hair raising rides for the kids to get stuck into including the Big Wave Slide, Jungle Maze and Jurassic Survivor! For those wanting to take it a little easier we’ll have some smaller rides (typically for preschoolers or kindy) games, face painting, a magic show plus much more.

Buy your tickets in advance & save time & $$

All Rides - all night adventurous rides pass for children of all ages $25 online and $30 on the night.

Haven Rides Only – all night rides pass for the tamer rides only – located on soccer pitch in front of haven building $12 online, or $15 on the night.

You can purchase them ONLINE NOW by going to www.trybooking.com/111231

Cut off for pre paid is 4pm Wednesday 3rd December. Ride passes will be ready for collection after 2:30pm on the day of the festival. Don’t worry, you can buy all night ride passes on the night for $30 or a $5 single ride pass.

Try your luck at our fundraising raffle

Details of our fund-raising raffle can be found on the pages below. You will have by now received a book of 10 x $2 tickets. Please give all money and correctly labelled ticket stubs to your teacher in an envelope (with your child’s name and class on it) by Wed 3rd December.

Prizes will be drawn at the festival. And you have the chance to buy more tickets on the night at the Rides and Raffle stand. We thank you in advance & urge you to support this fundraising by trying to sell all the tickets to family and friends or just buy the lot yourselves! Not forgetting, you’ve got to be in it to win it!

Food

The Festival Feast – MMM nothing over $10

You certainly won’t go hungry with the variety of food available on the night including;

*2 x sizzling sausage BBQs *Pizza’s and Ice Creams from our friendly tuckshop *Multi-cultural delights including Indian, Korean, Chinese & Japanese food *Tantalising Cake stall brimming with icing & sprinkles and *Popcorn, fairy floss, soft drinks (only) and more...
Could you help out on the night? –

We appreciate mums and dads are busy, it’s only through the help we receive from people who have a spare 30 mins or two hours that make this event possible on the night. So please join in and become part of the event! Its easy to sign up to through our Volunteer Spot website.

Simply type in this URL http://vols.pt/L2XvIM and choose a job depending on the time you have available to help. Thank you SO much! Front row seats for the performances will be reserved for volunteers.

Or perhaps you’d like to bake or buy a cake?!

Bake (or buy!) we need lots of delicious slices, muffins, cookies and of course everyone’s favourites, good old cakes to sell at our cake stall! It would be wonderful if you’d like to bake something special but store-bought goodies are just as welcome!

On Monday 1st December we’ll be handing out a number of cake boxes per class (so not everyone will receive one). On the morning of the Festival (5th December) please bring your filled cake box to the open area in the McHatton building where there will be someone to accept it.

*** No Nuts Please***

The recap…Important dates for your diary:

❖ **Wednesday 3rd December** – deadline for Raffle ticket money to teacher, AND 4pm cut off for prepaid online ride passes.

❖ **Thursday 4th December** – Secure your place on VolunteerSpot if you’re able to help out on the night. OR email the thedempc@gmail.com and they will be in touch with you directly.

❖ **Friday 5th December am** – take in your cake/cupcakes/sweet treats – if applicable

❖ **Friday 5th December 4.30pm – 9pm** the End of Year Festival fun begins (Performances kick off the afternoon!

For any questions relating to the End of Year Festival please contact your class representative or a P&C member directly on thedempc@gmail.com
We are pleased to confirm that Zac Magic will be joining us!!

MAGIC SHOW

'ZAC MAGIC'
END OF YEAR FESTIVAL
FRIDAY 5th DECEMBER
SCHOOL HALL 6.30 pm
We thank you in advance for supporting our fundraising raffle and hope you manage to sell all your tickets to family and friends – or indeed you may want to buy them yourselves!!

Here are some fantastic prizes that have been so kindly donated so far – more to come........

- Samsung Galaxy Tablet 4 sponsored by Naina a Gupta - Personal Lending Manager at Commonwealth Bank North Sydney

- Bridge Climb Sampler Inner Arch Climb for 2 adults value $296

- Handmade quilt donated by Martine Bruce value $300

- Handmade quilt donated by Rhonnie Cuningham value $250

- Splatter party for 10 children donated by 4 Cats Art Studio value $255

- One term of kid's yoga donated by Kidd's Yoga value $150

- 6 x Maths Lessons donated by Abacus Maths Chatswood value $300 ($50 each)

- Coco Siren Collection Chocolate Box donated by Coco Chocolate value $45

- 1 Term of Drama class donated by Freestyle Drama value $150

- Meal voucher donated by La Grillade Restaurant value $100

- Dinner for 2 donated by the Union Hotel value $100

- Weekend stay incl. breakfast and parking donated by the McLaren Hotel value $400

- Cooking class for 4 people donated by MuMu Grill value $560

- 2 x Bowling and 4 Laser Tag passes for 4 people donated by Strike Bowling Chatswood value $96
a very big **thank you** to our generous sponsors……..

We look forward to seeing you at the End of Year Festival

**Friday 5th Dec – 4.30pm – 9pm**

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SCHOOL BANKING

We Need You To Join Our Crew

Our students are enjoying participating in the The Dem's Commonwealth Bank School Banking programme and are learning invaluable saving skills along the way. The number of students joining the programme is growing each week, which is fantastic - but we need some extra help from you to help keep it running smoothly.

We have a small team of parent volunteers who run the programme but not everyone can make it every week so we’d like a few more volunteers to join the team. School banking is every Thursday. We meet at 9.30am after the teachers have collected the bank wallets and are usually finished by 11am. You don’t have to commit to every week but having a wider team of volunteers to call on would help to ensure that the responsibility of keeping the programme running doesn’t fall on just a few people.

Please contact us by email at thedembanking@gmail.com if you'd like to volunteer some time to help run and grow the school banking programme at The Dem.

Congratulations to the students who are about to earn their 10th silver Dollarmites token. Once they have their 10th token they need to return all 10 silver tokens for a gold token that they get to keep and they can then order a fantastic reward item. For these children, please complete the reward card coupon we'll put in their yellow wallet and return it, along with their 10 tokens, on the next School Banking day and the item they choose will be ordered for them.

*All items except the Penguin keyring are currently available (even where it lists availability as just Term 1, 2 or 3 on the reward card).
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Lunch Menu
Includes fruit & recess & lunch
$10 pp per day

Monday - Hamburger
Tuesday - Sandwiches
Wednesday - Hot Dog
Thursday - Wraps
Friday - Pizza

Holiday Camp Registration 2014/2015

Child 1 _____________________ Age ___ Notes/Allergies ____________
Child 2 _____________________ Age ___ ___________________________
Child 3 _____________________ Age ___ Parent ____________________

Email ____________________ Mob. ____________________

Payment
Please return this form to Have 4 Sports, tinagibson@gmail.com or mail to 34 Harden Ave, Northbridge 2063. Direct deposit to: BSB 082 401, A/c No.: 82 225 2717, A/c Name: Have 4 Sports, Ref. Child's Name (Camp).

WAIVER: I hereby agree that Have 4 Sports and Grand Slam Tennis, its directors and employees are released absolutely from all liability and responsibility for injury, damages, illness, accident, death or loss of property whatsoever arising which may occur to my child/ward at any time during the tennis program at Cammeray Tennis Club and I hereby agree to indemnify and keep indemnified Have 4 Sports and Grand Slam Tennis, its directors and employees from and against all liability, damages, claims, actions and costs of defending such claims and actions whatsoever in respect thereof.

Parent/Guardian: (Please Sign) ____________________ Date: / /

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Camp 3: Monday 22nd Dec - Wednesday 24th Dec (Tennis Only)
Camp 4: Monday 5th Jan - Friday 9th Jan 2015 (Tennis and Golf)
Camp 5: Monday 12th Jan - Friday 16th Jan 2015 (Tennis and Golf)
Camp 6: Monday 19th Jan - Friday 23rd Jan 2015 (Tennis and Golf)
Camp 7: Tuesday 27th Jan 2015 (Tennis Only)

SKILLFUL MINDS
holiday workshop

who: any child ages 6-10 years
when: 12, 13, 14, 15 January 2015
where: 1st North Sydney Scout Hall
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time: 9:00-3:00 each day
price: $100 per day, or $365 for all 4 days

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Sports and Games
- Children will be able to select sports they would like to participate in.
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