AT THE HALL AT 4:00 FRIDAY NIGHT FOR THE 4:30 SHOW

REMEMBER TO BE DENMAN WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 12, 2025

Dear Families,

There was a discussion at the PAC meeting about before school supervision. Before school supervision is scheduled from 8:30-8:45. If you need to drop your child off earlier there is excellent Before School Care available at Blackberry Lane Children's Centre (Ages 5-12)

Licensed child care offered Monday-Friday from 8:00-8:40am. Cost is \$5/day, pre-registered program with daily drop-in spots often available too. Children must have a current registration form on file to attend, and the Affordable Childcare Benefits subsidy is available for qualifying families.

Email hello@denmankids.ca to register!

MORE FARM TO FAMILY TEA TOWELS WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BUYING ONE OR IF YOU HAVE AN ORDERED ONE. ALL 60 SOLD OUT AT THE CRAFT FAIR!

PAC

Parent Advisory Council Denman Dragon hoodies and t-shirts are available for purchase! See the poster in this newsletter. Next PAC meeting is Tuesday January 13th at 5:30, in the school library. All parents of Denman students are

welcome

Upcoming

Dec. 12-Winter Concert, 4:30

Community Hall

Dec. 12-Moonlight Madness, 5-9

Downtown

Dec. 16-Lunch: Teriyaki Rice

Dec. 17-Lunch: Wraps

Dec. 18-Lunch: Mac and Cheese

-Gingerbread Houses

Dec. 19-Pajama and Movie Day

Dec 19-Last day, Reports home

Jan. 5-First day back at school



Gingerbread Houses

(actually graham cracker houses)

On Thursday, December 18th we will all be making our own little gingerbread houses at school. Some students will construct their own, while others will decorate pre made houses. The school will provide the crackers, icing, and some extra decorations (candy).

Students can bring their own assortment of items they would like to use to decorate their little house.



Some healthy ideas are:
dry cereal
raisins, other dried fruit
nuts and seeds

For a more candy based creation some ideas are:

smarties
gumdrops
licorice
candy canes, peppermints
sprinkles



Houses will not be consumed at school, they will be coming home.



Denman Island Community Education

30 years of inspiring learners and cultivating community

DICES winter 2025/26 newsletter

Welcome to DICES! We are a non profit charitable organization supporting our community through a variety of educational and recreational programs as well as food security initiatives. We are a partner of our island's K-7 community school, where we work closely with staff to deliver quality after school programs for children and youth. We are the only non profit child youth and adult programming on Denman for both school and homescholl children. We are also a vital food source for our island, providing low to no cost school lunches and snacks, and our weekly island food bank, which helps 150 neighbours with free healthy food each week. Funded entirely by local donations and grants, DICES programs are possible because of people like you.



Recreation and arts programs

We provide quality after school and evening recreation programming for children, youth and adults here on Denman. Our offerings include art, gym, games, soccer, dance, and even seasonal cooking, weaving and language classes!

Our program facilitators bring unique and fun approaches to learning with our students while developing positive relationships within the community.

DICES is a partner of the Denman Island Community School, with whom we work closely to extend and enrich the school experience of students by connecting community talent and energy with the school community. We have been doing this since 1996, and are one of the oldest community schools in the Comox Valley and the islands.



GET INVOLVED Want to volunteer, donate, or learn more? Contact us at dices.communityprograms@gmail.com







FOOD SECURITY

We are the Denman Island foodbank, as well as the annual holiday hampers, and the daily lunch program at our community school. We offer quality healthy food to approximately 150 food bank users each week, about one third of them children. Our school lunch program is partly funded by parents and by the school district. We use local produce and the school garden as well as bulk buying. We also organize the annual holiday hampers, which brings holiday cheer to seniors and families.



Covered Recreation Space



When community comes together, we can do amazing things. The CRS aka Dude Chillin Pavillion is completed! It is now bookable for feasts, festivals, concerts, pickleball, basketball, skateboarding, rainy day or heatwave play time, weddings, and community

meetings.







Thank you to all the people who contributed to the construction. There is still work to be done, so contact us if you want to help. The CRS is bookable via the big hall online booking system.

THANK YOU

With support from local people and businesses, DICES is able to provide high quality programming and food for our community. If you or your company is interested in financially supporting DICES, please send an email to dices.communityprograms@gmail.c om or call us at 250-335-2058 to discuss opportunities. Donations received to our email via e transfer.

A heartfelt Thank You to some of our funders!









