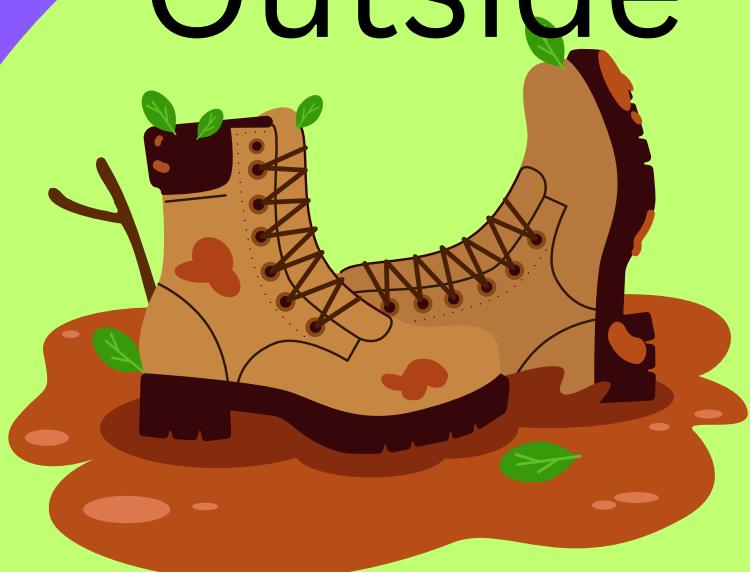


# Denman Weekly Newsletter

January 23, 2026

It was hard to tell who was a teacher and who was a student on Spirit Day, lots of fabulous interpretations! Next week we have two special presenters. On Thursday Div. 3 will have the opportunity to learn about kelp beds, thanks to ADIMS for sharing your expertise and time with us. On Friday, past Denman student Lucy Dabbs will show her stop motion animated film, *The Plastic Problem*, and will share some of her skills and talents with all of us. Lucy's film has won a number of awards and has been accepted into four film festivals.

Outside



Inside



**Muddy shoes** equals dirty floors, particularly in the gym.

Every student needs a clean pair of indoor shoes at school that are appropriate for physical education. Students will be asked to change into clean shoes when they come into school

Thank you for your help with this!

PAC

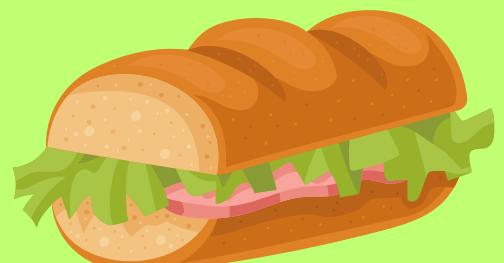
Parent Advisory Council

Denman Dragon hoodies and t-shirts are available for purchase!

Next PAC meeting is Tuesday Feb. 10, 6:00 pm, in the school library. All parents of Denman students are welcome.



Upcoming



Jan. 27-Lunch-Sub Sandwiches

Philly Cheesesteak

Jan. 28-Lunch: Chicken Satay Wrap

Jan. 29-Lunch: Pork and Cabbage Bowl

-Presentation: Kelp Beds

Jan. 30-Presentation: Lucy Dabbs, *The Plastic Problem*

# It's Family Literacy Week!

JANUARY 25 – FEBRUARY 1, 2026

In honour of Family Literacy Week, please consider supporting the Denman Island Community School library and Abraxas Books and Gifts by purchasing a book from the wish list!

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## PICTURE BOOKS



## EARLY READERS, GRAPHIC NOVELS, & CHAPTER BOOKS



## INFORMATION BOOKS

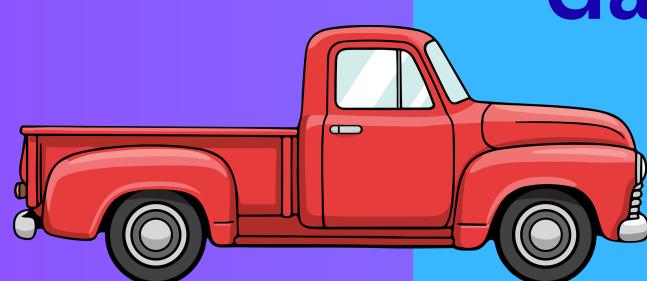


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## DICES

# Volunteer Opportunities with Community Programs

- Garden work (with/without students, during school/after school)
- Kitchen helper (prep, serving, dishes,) Tues/Wed/Thurs
- Town trips: picking up food items from town (flexible)
- Unloading: moving boxes of food to refrigeration (some Tuesday mornings)
- After school gym time (flexible days) being a responsible adult while kids play in the gym.
- Table tennis: mentoring kids along with a community volunteer on Thursdays after school at the activity centre
- Reading at bed time story time
- Helping with bingo nights
- Baking healthy snacks for during and after school.





# Pink Shirt Day

© school is February 26th

On Wednesday, February 26th, Denmand Island Community School is going to raise awareness for Anti-Bullying. WEAR PINK!

## 2026 PINK SHIRT Order Form



WE CAN SET-UP  
AN ON-LINE STORE  
FOR \$1.00 MORE  
PER SHIRT



To order, etransfer with size, student name, and correct amount to Denman@sd71.bc.ca or send cash with this form

## Orders Due by February 6th

Name:

		Circle Size					Qty.	=
Spread the Love T-shirt	YOUTH	S	M	L	XL	\$11.00		
Spread the Love T-shirt	ADULT	S	M	L	XL	\$11.00		
Spread the Love T-shirt	ADULT				2XL	\$13.00		
Spread the Love T-shirt	ADULT				3XL	\$15.00		
Spread the Love Hoodie	YOUTH	S	M	L	XL	\$30.00		
Spread the Love Hoodie	YOUTH	S	M	L	XL	\$30.00		
Spread the Love Hoodie	ADULT				2XL	\$32.00		
Spread the Love Hoodie	ADULT				3XL	\$34.00		

Teacher:

Total \$ included:

**Kindergarten Registration** for most students opens on January 20 for the 2026-2027 school year. To be eligible for enrolment in September 2026, a student must turn five (5) years of age by December 31, 2026.

The **Expression of Interest for the Late French Immersion Program (Grade 6/7)** at Ecole Puntledge Park is open January 26-30.

Registration for **Navigate NIDES** online learning and **Heartwood** programs open February 24.

Register here:

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/student-registration/>

## New Non-Instructional Day

Comox Valley Schools is advising families and staff that a **Non-Instructional Day** will take place on **Friday, May 15, 2026**, following a decision of the Board of Education.

At its recent meeting, the Board passed a motion confirming this Non-Instructional Day, which will be dedicated to Indigenous learning for all staff. On this day, students will not attend school, and staff will participate in professional learning activities.

This Non-Instructional Day aligns with provincial requirements under the School Calendar Regulation, which requires all school districts in British Columbia to include at least one non-instructional day each year focused on Indigenous student achievement and learning. The day is intended to provide dedicated time for staff to deepen understanding of Indigenous histories, cultures, and perspectives, and to support ongoing Truth and Reconciliation efforts within public education.

This learning also aligns with the Comox Valley Schools Strategic Plan, including commitments related to equity, relationships, and Indigenous education.

You can view the updated 2025-2026 District Calendar here:

<https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/district-calendars/>