

Nanneella Estate Primary School

Newsletter—Term 2 **Week 8**—13th June, 2019



Coming Events 2019

June

Tuesday 18th

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Friday 28th

"Music Day"

END OF TERM

July

TERM 3 STARTS

Monday 15th

PUPIL FREE DAY

Students not at School

Tuesday 16th

Students return to school

Wednesday 17th

Division Netball Bendigo

Monday 22nd

Swimming this week

Tuesday 30th

Division Football Bendigo

MUSIC DAY

This year on our last day of term 2 we would like to invite everyone to a **Music Day**, which will celebrate all of our achievements and fun times spent with Flo Bourke, the music Teaching Artist from the Song Room. There will be music performances, workshops run by our students, talent shows and busking opportunities for anyone interested. Make sure to bring lots of **silver** or **gold** coins, as all donations will go towards the State Schools Relief Fund. If you play a musical instrument or enjoy singing, dancing and performing, then we hope to see you at NEPS between **11am and 1pm**.

Half Year Reports

The staff have been very busy writing, editing and compiling the semester one reports for all our students. The reports give a comprehensive look at each child's achievements for this semester. These reports will be sent home with the children tomorrow and they will help inform the Parent-Teacher interviews, which will take place next Tuesday. Any feedback on the reports can be sent to school or passed on at the interviews. One change that has been suggested is for the **Work Habits** scale of:

Needs Attention / Acceptable / Very Good / Excellent,
to be changed to:

Needs Attention / Acceptable / Good / Very Good, to provide a more graduated scale, rather than a big jump from Acceptable to Very Good.

Reporting to Parents

Parent-Teacher interviews will be held next Tuesday 18th June in your child's classroom. Students only attend school at their interview time with their parents. The Bigroom children will attend the first five minutes of the interview. The Littleroom children do not attend the interview.

Many thanks to the parents who have returned their interview time preference sheets. Attached to the newsletter are the allocated times. Please arrive early for your interview, so that we can avoid running late for interviews. If you are yet to return your interview preferences please do so by tomorrow.

Students Remember

Last Friday morning we had a short remembrance ceremony, as it had been a sad week in a number of ways at NEPS. Nevaeh has been sharing that it was four years ago that her mother died, and her great grand Poppy also died last Saturday. It was also the week that Mrs Kemp's grandfather passed away in Poland. So, with Nevaeh's and Mrs Kemp's permission, we held a special ceremony at the start of the day to remember Nevaeh's mother and grand Poppy, and Mrs Kemp's grandfather.

The Polish connection was an opportunity to remember the Normandy landings which also took place this week 75 years ago in June 1944. This action ultimately led to the defeat of Hitler. The staff and students took a moment to reflect on the event and that if it was not for the sacrifice of the Allied Forces, we may not have Mrs Kemp with us today.

The students were all very respectful and appropriately behaved during the ceremony.

Long Service Leave

Lesley is currently on Long Service Leave and she will return at the start of term three. Any office enquiries can be directed to Ian at this time. The newsletter will still be produced each week, and we will do our best to keep it up to the usual standard.

Mrs Kemp will be on Long Service Leave for the first 3 weeks of term 3. Mrs McQuillan will be filling in for Mrs Kemp during this time.

Mr Denson will also be taking some Long Service Leave in term 3. He will be away for the first 4 weeks when Mrs Arthur will be in the Acting Principal role. Mrs Arthur has taken on this role in the past, and she will be well supported by the other staff.



Interschool Dressage

Cooper and his horse "Memy" have recently been competing in some interschool dressage events. He was at the Assumption College Interschools Dressage on the 2nd June, competing in the Primary Preliminary Section, placing 4th in one of his tests.

Cooper also attended the Elmore Equestrian EA Interschool on the 7th and 8th July.

He was in a composite team with riders from Rochester Primary and Rochester Secondary College. He participated in Showing, Dressage, Handymount, Combined Training and Novelties. He placed 2nd and 7th in his dressage tests to place Reserve Champion

overall in Dressage, also receiving a 4th in Handymount. His team placed 6th overall in the Composite section out of 29 teams. A great effort. Cooper will also be representing our school at an up coming interschool competition to be held in the term two break. We wish him all the best in the events and look forward to hearing about his efforts next term.

Aboriginal Studies

The children were all very excited when both classes joined together to decorate their boomerangs, which were given to the students earlier in the year.

The students were joined by our Koori Support Officer, Paul Clarke, and Aunty Neva Atkinson, a Koori Elder from Echuca. Together they assisted the students to produce respectful and authentic Aboriginal symbols to represent family on their boomerangs.

Aunty Neva also inspected our 'assembly circle' under the gazebo and the path from gate to the school entrance which we hope to paint using aboriginal symbols too. Paul and Aunty Neva will return on Monday to do some more work with the students.



Aboriginal Symbols and Artwork



Winter Sports

The Bigroom students all travelled to Colbinabbin Recreation Reserve last Friday to join with over 100 Campaspe Cluster students to participate in football, soccer or netball games. Our students all played very well on the day and they had a fabulous time with all the other grade 3,4,5 and 6 students.

The day was also an opportunity for coaches to select team a Campaspe Cluster team for Netball and Football to attend the Division Championships in Bendigo next term. Our school once again has a number of representatives chosen for these teams.



Congratulations go to: Hannah, Charlotte and Gabriella who were selected to play netball, and also to Callum and Luke who we selected to play in the football team. Both teams will

attend a practice afternoon on Tuesday 25th June. Details will be provided for families concerned shortly. The Division Championships will be held next term.

Practicing Preps



Pre-schoolers who will be starting prep in 2020 are invited to join our Practicing Preps Program this year. The practising preps have been joining in the Littleroom from the start of the day until the end of recess regularly on Wednesdays this term. This program will continue throughout the year, every Wednesday when possible.



Parents are more than welcome to bring their child along, we just ask that you ring the school beforehand, so we know how many children will be in attendance on any given day.

Woolworths earn & learn

Nanneella Estate Primary School has registered for Woolworths earn and learn. Please place your earn and learn sticker sheets in the box at the Office.

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School Hours

School begins for children at 8:50am and concludes at 3:20pm.

Staff are on yard duty from **8:35am** in the morning and until 3:35pm in the afternoon to supervise the students. Children should arrive at school after 8:35am and depart from school by 3:35pm.

Parents should contact the school to discuss alternative arrangements on a one-off basis.

Healthy Eating

Our school encourages healthy eating at recess and lunch time. Fresh food is always better than processed foods. Fruit is a great snack option. It's an ideal nude food.

