Nanneella Estate Primary School

Newsletter: Term 1 Week 4
February 18th, 2026

From the Acting Principal—Sandi Spittal

It's been another busy and rewarding week at Nanneella Estate Primary School! Our students took part in Water Safety sessions with Life Saving Australia at Moama, gaining valuable skills and confidence around the water.

We were also fortunate to welcome Peter Walsh, Member for Murray Plains, who visited our school to present Shakya with a certificate recognising her leadership as our Grade 6 School Leader. Congratulations, Shakya!

Cluster Swimming Sports reminder at Elmore for Grade 3-6 is on Wednesday 25th Feb. Mrs Kemp and Ms West will be attending. Ms S will be here teaching Foundation—Grade 2 for the day at NEPS.

Yesterday's Coffee Morning and Pancakes was a wonderful opportunity for families to meet myself, Anna Kemp, and our new staff member, Chloe West. It was fantastic to see so many families come along — and the pancakes were a real hit, especially since our students cooked them!

Finally, we say a fond farewell to Michelle, our Education Support staff member, who finishes with us this Friday. Michelle has been an incredible support to our students and a valued member of our school community. We thank her sincerely for her dedication and wish her all the very best for the future.

2026 TERM DATES

TERM 1

Tuesday 28th January—
Friday 4th April

TERM 2

Tuesday 22nd April—
Friday 4th July

TERM 3

Monday 21st July—
Friday 19th September

TERM 4

Monday 6th October —
Friday 19th December

SCHOOL VALUES: Considerate, Responsible, Courageous

OUR SUPPORTERS IN 2026

Nanneella General Store
Apex Club Echuca/Moama
Moama Bowling Club
Brady Electrical
Firepits R Us—Kyabram
Bridgestone Echuca
Bunnings Echuca
WB Hunters Echuca
Lions Club Rochester
Rotary Club Rochester
Rochester RSL
Shire of Campaspe
Breakfast Club

School Hours

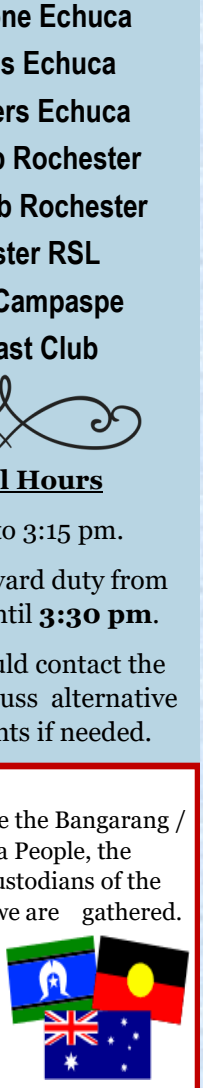
8:50am to 3:15 pm.

Staff are on yard duty from **8:45 am** until **3:30 pm**.

Parents should contact the school to discuss alternative arrangements if needed.

We acknowledge the Bangarang / Yorta Yorta People, the traditional custodians of the land on which we are gathered.

We welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people



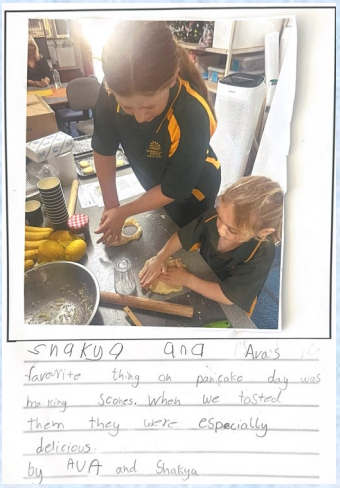
My favourite thing on the pancake morning was pouring then flipping the pancakes! also I liked how the community came together.

By Penny Mcdonald

Mrs kemp spoke to my dad.

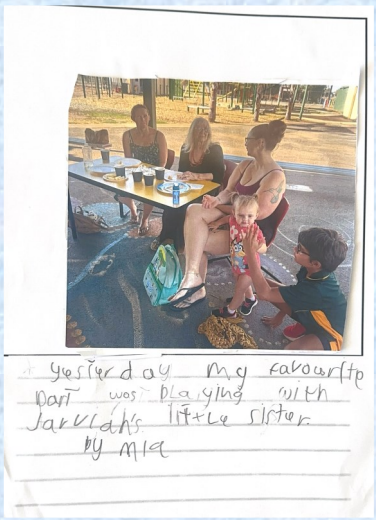
my dad came and had scones

BY Ozzie



Shakya and Ava's favorite thing on pancake day was making scones. When we tasted them they were especially delicious.

by AVA and Shakya



Yesterday my favourite part was playing with Jaxklah's little sister.

by Mia

My favourite part was singing. A millionaires.

by Sav

DATES TO REMEMBER – 2026	
TERM 1	**February**
Wednesday 25th	Cluster Swimming Sports—Elmore
	March
Monday 9th	LABOUR DAY—no students
	April
Thursday 2nd	Last Day of Term
Friday 3rd	Good Friday

Small Schools – Big Impact

Small schools play an essential role in our education landscape. They are places where students are known, families are connected, and learning is personal. Principals and teachers describe them as dynamic, adaptable, and deeply community-driven — schools where relationships are strong, decisions are swift, and every student has the opportunity to thrive.

"Small Schools don't operate alone, they link up with other small schools to provide additional opportunities for students"
- Small School Principal on power of Clusters.

Key Points

1. **Strong Community** – Family-like connections where everyone is known and valued.
2. **Personalised Learning** – Every student is seen, receives tailored attention and support.
3. **Student Voice & Leadership** – Every student has opportunities to lead and contribute.
4. **Flexible & Fast to Act** – Opportunity to be innovative and have adaptive responses to local needs.
5. **Collaborative & Supportive Staff Teams** – Shared ownership, broad skill sets, and inclusive teamwork.
6. **Focus on Wellbeing in calm environments** – Safe, nurturing settings where students thrive emotionally.
7. **Cluster Collaboration** – Schools work together, not in competition, sharing ideas and creativity.

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REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW ONLINE!

Windridge Oval ROCHESTER
SUNDAY 10am

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- ***WEEK 1*** - 26 April
- ***WEEK 2*** - 3 May
- ***WEEK 3*** - 10 May
- ***WEEK 4*** - 17 May
- ***WEEK 5*** - 24 May
- ***WEEK 6*** - 31 May
- ***WEEK 7*** - 14 June
- ***WEEK 8*** - 19 July
- ***WEEK 9*** - 26 July
- ***WEEK 10*** - 2 Aug Last Week

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