FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CURRICULUM DAY
On Monday of next week, the children are not required at school as the staff will be involved in professional development activities here at school. Regional office staff will be conducting these activities around literacy and the Ultranet.

MR. LEE’S RETURN
Mr Lee will resume from leave on Monday of next week. He will have had an exciting time during his adventures in America – will we detect an accent?

GRADE 6 CHILDREN—INFORMATION EVENING
On Wednesday 9th May all Bendigo State Secondary Colleges will conduct their information evenings. These are for Grade 6 students entering year 7 in 2013. Eaglehawk Secondary College takes great pleasure inviting you and your child to their information evening.

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
As I mentioned last week we have a large number of children who took up the challenge; 156 of the school population, which is great. For those children it is important to remember to keep a list of the books that they have read in their log booklet. Congratulations to Madi B. and Olivia G. who have already completed the challenge.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM
The active after school program for term two has commenced. Again the programs have been very popular. We have the Multi Skills program for the children in grades prep to two on each Thursday night for the next seven weeks. For the children in grades three to six there will be skateboarding for the first three weeks followed by badminton for the following four weeks on Wednesday nights. Notes have gone home with the children to inform them of the program that they are in.

WINTER APPROACHES
As winter approaches we become aware of the need for children to be dressed appropriately for the colder weather. We don’t want children becoming ill and having to miss days from school as every day spent at school is important and valuable to their learning progress. We also know that we get the sniffles more often and the demand on tissues increases dramatically. We like to share the responsibility for the provision of the tissues so ask that each child contributes to the tissue supply in each classroom.

Steve McKerrow
Acting Principal

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School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
Eaglehawk ANZAC service

On the 25th of April I attended an ANZAC service in Eaglehawk at the Town Hall representing our school. When we were driving there Mr Mac was behind us. When we found him we had to sit in special seats where all the people sat that were representatives. First a marching band came and they were playing a song. After that a military officer had a speech. Four young army members had to march. Next we had to stand and sing an old war song called “Abide With Me.” Then a girl had a speech because she was representing Eaglehawk Secondary College. We had to sing another song. It was easy because the songs we sang were the same as the ones we sang at another ANZAC service at St Laurence Crt. The wreaths were laid. We had to walk up and place them on a memorial statue. We sang another song and then had a minute of silence to remember the soldiers that gave their lives to protect our country.

Vanessa C.
5/6 Windridge

It’s back and easier than ever to participate and get valuable resources for our school! Here’s a recap of 2011’s fantastic results:
- Woolworths gave more than $4.5 million worth of resources to over 6,900 schools across Australia.
- The school earning the most points received $5,374 in resources!
- Over 6,000 items were selected, highlighting just how important the breadth of range was to participating schools.

We are excited to be taking part in the 2012 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Last year, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you. From now until July 1st 2012, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every $10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card (these are attached to this week’s Bell Topper). Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school or you can drop them into your local Woolworths collection box situated in the school office.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 7,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!
We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.

School Calendar

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EDUCATION WEEK

Visiting Performer: “Australian Folklore”

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Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

HEALTHY LIVING

Fussy Eating

“Fussy Eating” is part of the normal development of a young child’s food preferences. Young children may require exposure to a new food up to 10 times before they accept it, as their tastes are continually developing and changing. Be patient, and if a child does not accept a food first off, be positive and encourage it at a later date or in a different form. Introducing a new food with a familiar one also helps.

It is important not to make a fuss if a child refuses their meal. Quietly take it away and if hungry later, offer to reheat the meal.

Don’t force your child to eat all their meal before dessert - this gives the impression that sweet foods are the best and vegetables are second rate.

Suggestions from Nutritionist, Catherine Saxelby, include:

- Setting a good example by eating and enjoying nutritious foods such as fruits and vegetables.
- Following a routine by maintaining regular meal times.
- Avoid filling their stomachs with liquids (such as fruit juice) prior to meal times to ensure they will eat most of their main meal.
- Some fussy eaters are also slow eaters so try not to hurry them to finish their meals.
- Remember, parents decide the type of foods and when to serve them; children decide how much to eat.

For more information on this topic visit Nutrition Australia’s website.

EAGLEHAWK COMMUNITY

SOLAR FORUM

Feel good about generating your own electricity!!
The Goldfields Solar program provides a win-win offer for you to install a solar PV system on your roof and limit electricity price rises, as well as doing something good for the environment.
Come along to the Goldfields Solar Presentation to be held at the Manchester Unity Hall, High St., Eaglehawk on Tuesday, 15th May from 6.00pm.
Refer to www.goldfieldssolarhub.org.au or contact Keith on 0428 581198 for more details.

EGGS FOR SALE

Our girls are busy laying lots of eggs, $2.50 a dozen. See Wendy in the grade 5/6 room.

PLAYGROUP

Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.30 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.
in the Outside School Hours Care room.
The next Playgroup sessions will be Tuesday, May 8th and Thursday, May 10th. Please bring along a healthy snack and drink. All Welcome!

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
Congratulations to the following students on being named Student of The Week for their positive attitude to school and social values.

**Friday April 27th**

**P/1 Christian:** Ella B. - *For her writing efforts this week.*
Keesha W. - *For being a friendly and caring member of P/1 C.*

**P/1 Peacock:** Hayden M. - *For listening carefully and putting in his best effort always.*
Benjamin N. - *For making good efforts to sound out words and write sentences.*

**2 Carroll-Hinton:** Shameka R. - *For speedy 2 times tables recall.*
Jazmin T. - *For taking care in handwriting lessons and making sure her letters are on the lines.*

**3/4 Hartney:** Liam G. - *For creative and imaginative artwork.*
Izak O’S. - *For reading with enthusiasm and expression.*

**3/4 Tanner:** Joshua A. - *For displaying good co-operation and teamwork during problem solving.*
Benjamin P. - *For his excellent work with palindromic numbers.*

**5/6 McKerrow:** Matthew C. - *For great effort in Cross Country.*
Benjamyn T. - *For excellent Art work.*

**5/6 Windridge:** Kara McO. - *For excellent home reading and maintenance of her reading diary.*
Stephanie P. - *For working well and doing her personal best in Maths.*

The school is registered for the Paul’s “Collect-a-Cap” program. Please keep collecting from friends, family and neighbours the specially marked caps from Paul’s milk bottles. **Washed** Paul’s “Collect-a-Caps” can be handed into the office.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
Parents’ Club Meeting
The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be Friday June 1st, after assembly in the school conference room - opposite the office. All are welcome to attend.

Lunch Orders
Last week’s Gillies Pie Day was a huge success!! We raised $158.85. Our next lunch order day will be Tuesday May 15th, we will be having Hot BBQ Chicken rolls with mayo and gravy as well as salad rolls with chicken. All profits raised from the Parents’ Club Tuesday lunch orders is used to purchase extras for the classrooms. Last week the Parents’ Club purchased $60.00 worth of board games for Mr. Tanner’s class to use on wet weather days as well as two sets of “Faraway Tree” books for Mr. Tanner’s and Mr. Hartney’s classrooms.

Mothers’ Day Raffle
Last week raffle books went home for Mothers’ Day. Tickets are $1.00 each and will be drawn at assembly on Friday May 11th. All prizes have been provided by the Parents’ Club.

1st Prize $100.00 Coles/Myer Voucher
2nd Prize $70.00 Coles/Myer Voucher
3rd Prize $50.00 Coles/Myer Voucher

Extra Raffle Books are available from Nicole in the office and don’t forget you have to be in it to win it!

Mothers’ Day Stall
Parents’ Club will be holding their Mothers’ Day Stall on Friday May 11th. Gifts will be priced from $1.00 to $5.00. To make the Stall successful we would appreciate any donations of items or cash which can be left with Nicole in the office.

Thank You for your support
The Parents’ Club

CATHOLIC COLLEGE BENDIGO
Current and prospective families are most welcome to attend our OPEN DAY to be held on Sunday May 6th 2012 between 12.00 and 2.30 p.m. at La Valla, McIvor Highway, Junortoun. There will be a variety of activities including displays and demonstrations, musical performances, guided tours, refreshments and much more.

ENROLMENTS - YEAR 7, 2013
Each year Catholic College Bendigo welcome new students. For students currently in Year 6, a Transition Day is held to experience life as a Year 7 student. Hence, students in Year 6 are invited to attend for a Transition Day on Thursday May 31st. If you are interested in your Year 6 student attending Transition Day, it is necessary to register by contacting Mrs. Trish Martin, College Registrat on 5449 3466 or email tmarin@ccb.vic.edu.au to register attendance.
Junior School Tipping Council 2012

Well our celebrity tipster last week was already 1 point down by the time we all read this week’s newsletter, Collingwood defeated Essendon by just one point! It was good to see Carlton come back from their round 4 loss and beat Fremantle by 8 points. The largest winning margin was the Western Bulldogs versus Greater Western Sydney game, the Bulldogs were quite obviously going to win this game the only question was by how many points—the answer was 42 points!

12 of our tipsters did really well during Round 5 and tipped 8 winners each, well done to the Hartland Family, Gen O’S., Murray T., Jackson E., Deanne P., Izak O’S., Harry G., Mitchell G., Olivia G., Brady E., Samuel G. and Keeley G. a further 8 tipsters were just behind them tipping 7 winners each. At the other end of the board, Callum G. is now sitting at the “top”. The lowest Tipsters for Round 5 were Brodie A., Grant F. and Kassie P. who all only tipped three winners.

Good luck to all our tipsters for Round 6.

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CELEBRITY TIPSTER ROUND 6 - Ben O’S.

Collingwood are riding the slightly stronger team, so they will have a very narrow win over the Western Bulldogs.

Despite last week’s 1 point loss Essendon are having a good season and will easily win against Brisbane. Melbourne will try hard, but the win will go to Geelong.

This was easy game to pick, obviously Fremantle will easily beat Gold Coast Suns!

Despite looking like the stronger team St. Kilda will be beaten by Hawthorn.

Sydney will have a fight on their hands, but will still win against Adelaide.

Greater Western Sydney will not be strong enough to beat Carlton. This was the easiest game to pick.

Richmond may be sitting above them on the ladder, but the home ground advantage will see a win for Port Adelaide.

North Melbourne will not be strong enough to beat the 1st placed West Coast Eagles.

Dr Harry Little Preschool
Annual Fair

6th May 2012 11:00am - 2:00pm
View Street, Bendigo

So many great activities for the whole family including face painting, handball, jumping castle, craft stall, BBQ, spinning wheel, showbags, art show and many many more. We also have some great prizes including Madison Day Spa Voucher, A weekend in a beach front holiday home in Torquay, spend a night watching the Bendigo Braves in a private court side box for 8 and then enjoy a meal in Stars bistro with a $100 gift voucher.

These are just some of the fun activities and great prizes that we will have on the day.

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Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

COMMUNITY NOTICES

PLAYERS REQUIRED
Friday nights
Starting at 5.30
PETER KRENZ LEISURE CENTRE
YMCA
NAPIER STREET EAGLEHAWK
COME AND ENJOY A FUN,
FRIENDLY GAME OF
BASKETBALL.
SUITABLE FOR BEGINNERS,
UNIFORMS SUPPLIED
Under 14 -$2 per game
$15 VBA INSURANCE FEE
ALL PLAYERS
Enquires:
Diane 5448 3396 AH only

NETBALL NEWS!

Netball Report for 28 April:
It was another good week in Netball with the Black and Red teams winning and White and Blue coming very close.
Team of the Week is Cal Gully Black.
The Black Ninjas were put up a division after their win last week and had a shaky start with most of the play in Girtons goal third for the whole first quarter. The Black Ninjas then managed to beat Girton with great play in the second half Jessica B had her first game in Wing Defence and after she realised it was Girton’s Wing Attack she had to follow and not Chara she played awesome in Defence interchanging with Micky who is a very handy defender. Nate was our last line of defence in GK and snagged a couple of intercepts, Aaliyah scored her first goal of the season and Shakira led beautifully from the goal ring. Phoenix managed to put 5 goals on the board whilst Mitch ran a speed marathon in Centre and Keisha carved it up in Goal Defence. A great team effort.

Game Times for 5th May: Black: 10am Crt 3 White: 9am Crt 5 Blue: 11am Crt 113 Red: 11am Crt 4
We hope to see you there cheering our teams on!

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
Today the preps have reached 50 Days of Learning at California Gully PS. They are half way to 100. The prep and ones have been learning about half this week.

When we reach 100 days of learning, the preps, grade ones and grade twos will have day of celebrating the number 100.

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Eaglehawk Hockey Club Juniors
Eaglehawk Hockey Club are looking for junior players, new or experienced players welcome, for the current winter pennant. We are seeking players for our under 13 team.

We are looking to further our junior program at Eaglehawk Hockey Club and are keen to get kids involved in hockey. Eaglehawk Hockey Club have Bendigo’s Junior Hockey Coach of the year for the past two years, running their training.

We train at the Hockey Complex (Near Fruit Shack) on Thursday nights between 6pm and 7pm.

Games will be on Friday nights starting at 5.30pm and 6.30pm.

Fees for the season will be: $70, which covers insurance, training, and game fees.

Sticks and shin pads can be supplied if necessary.

Why not come and have a try and see if you like it. There is no cost to come and try.

If you need any further information don’t hesitate to contact me at work on 5446 8099 or on my mobile 0434 393 133.

Thanks
Keiren Brennan

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