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MISSION

At California Gully Primary School we educate students to be lifelong learners and well informed and productive community members who are well prepared to become active, engaged and responsible citizens of the local and global community.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

- Parents’ Club Meeting - Friday August 19th
- Parents’ Club Lunch Order Day - Wednesday August 24th
- Curriculum Day - Monday August 29th
- Trivia Night - Saturday September 3rd
- Grades 3 to 6 Harrietville Camp - Wednesday September 7th to Friday September 9th
- Grades 3 & 4 Melbourne Excursion - Wednesday September 14th

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MISSING BIKE

A bike was left in the bike rack Friday two weeks ago and over that weekend went missing. If anyone has seen the bike could they contact the school and talk to Mr Lee. The bike looks very similar to the one below.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Thank you to the parents who have been able to complete the Parent Opinion Survey (20 of the 40 sent out). We intend to post the surveys back to the Department of Education and Training tomorrow (Friday 12th August). If you have a survey completed please drop it in first thing on Friday. Remember the more surveys completed the more reliable the results of our schools performance.

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NAPLAN RESULTS
In May of this year, national literacy and numeracy tests (NAPLAN) were administered to students in Years 3 and 5. NAPLAN results will arrive next and once they have been reviewed by class teachers and then families will be notified to come and pick them up. If you have any queries regarding the results please make a time to speak to your child’s teacher. The report does not reflect the full range of your child’s abilities but shows how they performed at a single point in time. The results of the NAPLAN testing are one piece of data (used in conjunction with several other assessment methods) that assist in identifying the learning needs of both individual students and cohorts of students and informs both teacher practice and our overall curriculum programs. The classroom teachers assess each student’s learning in literacy and numeracy on an ongoing basis and are well placed to assist parents with developing a greater understanding of how your child is performing in all learning areas.

BOOK FAIR
Thank you to all of the families who supported our Book Fair this year. A percentage of the money spent goes back to the school so we can then purchase more books for our ever increasingly well-resourced library. A big thank you to Mrs. Holt for coordinating the Book Fair and also a big thank you to Renee and Heather (members of our Parents’ Club) who assisted with the book purchases and general upkeep of the area on a daily basis.

SCHOOL CAMP
In 4 weeks our students in grades 3-6 will be enjoying the experience of the Harrietville Camp. It is a wonderful opportunity for all of the students to interact with each other and the staff in a new environment and to be involved in many outdoor learning activities for the first time. Having said this it is important to realize it is not a right to attend camp but a privilege and as such a Camp Behaviour Contract note is being sent home to be discussed with your child and signed. This process is undertaken every year.

Jason Lee
Principal

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Parents’ Club Meeting
The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be in the conference room after assembly, Friday August 19th. We need more members so new members are always welcome.

Fathers’ Day Stall
The Fathers’ Day stall will be Thursday September 1st. Parents’ Club have purchased enough gifts for the children to purchase a gift for Dad or Specials Person. But if you would like to donate something to make our stall bigger and better your are more than welcome to. Some gift ideas that always go down a treat are wrapped lollies or chocolate, mugs and socks.

Contacting the Parents’ Club
If you wish to contact the Parents’ club have an email address which is cgpparentsclub@gmail.com.

Lunch Orders
The next lunch order day have been scheduled for and Wednesday August 24th. On Wednesday August 24th dim sims and ham wraps will be on the menu. Order forms will be sent home soon.

WATCH THIS SPACE
Parents’ Club will be holding a special raffle just for Cal. Gully Students, Families and Staff starting Monday August 15th. Keep an eye on the Skoolbag app. A note will go home with more details tomorrow, Friday August 12th.

Thank you for your support.
Parents’ Club

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Digital Citizenship

Grades 3-6 have been learning what it means to be a Digital Citizen in ICT. Digital citizenship is about confident and positive engagement with digital technology.

A digital citizen is a person with the skills and knowledge to effectively use digital technologies to participate in society, communicate with others and create and consume digital content. This really means that we are learning to be safe and responsible online.

The three core principles that digital citizens should practice are: Engage Positively, Choose Consciously and Know Your Online World (from the office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner).

Grades 5-6 have been making posters to promote these principles both in our school and in the wider school community.

Mrs Ryan

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Congratulations to the following students on being named Student of The Week for their positive attitude to school and social values.

**Friday August 4th**

**Prep Dillon:**
- Hollie B. - For being a caring and respectful class member.
- Ella B. - For giving 100% during class all week.

**1/2 Peacock-Hinton:**
- Noah A. - For bringing a positive attitude to all aspects of his school work.
- Ryan B. - For making good choices and following his playtime procedure.

**3/4 Ennor:**
- Lachlan H. - For being a helpful, co-operative class member.
- Piper K. - For working well in High Reliability Reading lessons.

**3/4 Reilly-Carroll:**
- Max G. - For writing a great information report on the South American Boa.
- Billy N. - For writing a fantastic information report on the Puma.
- Kohby U. - For writing a detailed information report on the Jaguar.

**5/6 McKerrow:**
- Sam G. - For excellent work with Digitation.
- Chloe H. - For excellent work in CARS 12/12.

**5/6 Windridge:**
- Keely F. - For excellent work in 2 digit by 2 digit multiplication.
- Myan P. - For completing the Premiers’ Reading Challenge.

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GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS

TIP 42.  EVERYONE NEEDS FIBRE

Fibre provides structure to the plant. There’s plenty of it in fruit, vegetables, brown rice, baked beans and wholegrain breads and cereals. Kinds need fibre (and water) to give them a ‘full’ feeling and to avoid becoming constipated and generally keep the body healthy.

What you can do NOW
- Serve fruits, vegetables and legumes (such as baked beans).
- Serve high-fibre breakfast cereals.
- Choose wholemeal or wholegrain breads and crackers.

Good Idea!
Legumes contain large amounts of fibre, so try lentil soup, lentil or chickpea burgers, burritos and pea and ham soup.

Healthy Snack Alternatives

It is not uncommon to hear children requesting snacks such as ‘a packet of chips’, ‘some soft drink’ or a ‘chocolate biscuit’. It is sometimes difficult to say no because the more nutritious alternatives are not as appealing or quick to prepare. Below are some suggestions for more nutritious alternatives for snacks.

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NEEDED FOR THE FRUIT PROGRAM

4litre ice cream containers or large fruit bowls.
California Gully Walk and Ride to School – August 2
Can we improve our walking and riding numbers?

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SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS

WHERE: Stephanie Alexander Kitchen at California Gully Primary School

WHEN: Wednesday Mornings
     8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.

Thanks to Empowering Eaglehawk, The Eaglehawk Football Club and the Peter Krenz Leisure Centre/YMCA we have a community breakfast program for all families (parents are more than welcome to attend) and staff of California Gully. The community breakfast program continues tomorrow, Friday August 12th at 8 a.m. (please note that we will stop serving breakfast at 8.20a.m. any children who arrive after 8.20 a.m. will miss out). Sharing in breakfast together, what a great way for our school community to start to start the day!
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Outside School Hours Care
Monday to Friday 3.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

- Available for all parents of California Gully Primary School
- Affordable
- Childcare in a safe and secure environment
- Providing interesting activities for all children
- Permanent/Casual Bookings available
- Emergency bookings always available

Mrs. Paton

Fun. Fitness. Friends
Juniors Squash at Bendigo Squash Club

- Our junior comp is led by our friendly, licensed coaches and is designed for fun and friendly atmosphere
- Children between the ages 11 and 17
- Long term social bonds created
- Safe environment

First night free

Free Protective Eyewear for each new junior membership

Playgroup
Let's get together and build on friendships.

Wednesdays
9.30 a.m. - 11.30 p.m.
in the Outside School Hours Care room.

Please bring along a piece of fruit to share.

We follow the healthy living guidelines and encourage the SunSmart messages that are taught to the students at school, to provide a great foundation for future students.

Session dates and activities:

August 17th To Be Confirmed

For information of what events are coming up in playgroup please visit the school website Playgroup page.

Join us on Facebook: www.facebook/calgullyplaygroup1

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California Gully Primary School
Learning Club
Tuesday 3.15 pm to 4.45pm

Hello from the La Trobe students: Callum, Katelyn, Maddie, Jenni, Charlotte, Nick and Larissa. We are going to be looking at the Olympic Games this term and we have lots of fun activities focusing on Literacy and Numeracy.
Last week we played some get to know you games and this week we will be investigating height and length and looking at what we know, what we want to know and what we will learn.

If interested in participating, please complete a Registration Form at the School Reception desk.

The Learning Club is proudly supported by
The Smith Family & La Trobe University.

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