

CALIFORNIA GULLY PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS

A reminder that students are expected to wear the correct school uniform each day. This is particularly important when attending excursions and community events, as students are representing California Gully Primary School. Thank you to families for supporting our students to wear their uniform with pride. If you need support, please reach out to our Well-Being Team or order using www.equalthreads.org.au.

ILLNESS



Unfortunately, we have continued to see high levels of illness with many students, staff and families.

If your child is unwell, please keep them at home and notify the school of their absence.

Illnesses such as the common cold, influenza and RSV spread easily, and we need healthy students and staff at school. Keeping everyone healthy remains a priority.

AEU – STOP WORK SCHEDULED (WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19th)

Although we are hopeful of an outcome prior, an agreement between the state government and AEU members is not yet in place and the dispute remains unresolved, AEU members at CGPS may be stopping work again for 24 hours on Wednesday August 19th 2026. We will provide further communication as early as we can next week (Monday evening or Tuesday) on the impact for CGPS students on this day. Thank you for your understanding.

SUN SMART - HATS

We are encouraging all families to start the search to find school hats as the weather (every-now and then) starts to warm up and UV index increases. It is extremely important to have hats available at school from mid-August. CGPS support the use of sun protection measures when the **UV index levels are 3 or higher**. In Term 4 the 'No Hat No Play' policy will always be followed. Hats can be purchased from www.equalthreads.org.au, or a Navy Blue Bucket/wide brim is fine.



Andrew Frawley
CGPS Principal

Dates for the Diary

- **Friday August 14th** - Hobby Day – Dress-Up
- **Thursday August 20th** - Passions and Pathways Session Two – Grades Five and Six
- **Thursday August 20th** - Book Club Issue Six Orders Due
- **Saturday August 22nd to Friday August 28th** - Book Week
- **Wednesday August 26th** - Book Week Parade at 9.00 a.m.
- **Friday September 11th** - Passions and Pathways Session Three – Grades Five and Six
- **Wednesday September 16th** - Eaglehawk Secondary College – Big Day Out (Year Six students only)
- **Thursday September 17th** - 'Room on the Broom' performance – Foundation to Grade Two
- **Friday September 18th** - Last Day of Term Three 2.15 p.m. Dismissal



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SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIMES AND EARLY COLLECTION

Morning Drop-off: We remind all families that children should not be onsite prior to the 8.40 a.m. bell. At this point staff are on duty and actively supervising. Please respect this request for the safety of all students, staff and families. *Before School Care is available if dropping off children before 8.40 a.m. Enrolment details are found later in the newsletter.*

Late Arrival: If your child is late arriving at school (any time after 9 a.m.) they must sign in at the office prior to going to the classroom.

Early Collection: If your child needs to be collected early from school, please do not go to the classroom to collect your child. All children must be collected from the office. If you would like to collect your child early from school, please let the office and your child's classroom teacher know at least 30 minutes prior to collection, but preferably before the start of the school day.

To support Child Safe and OHS procedures, we ask that everyone respects this request.

Thank you for your care and understanding.



California Gully Primary School – School Uniform

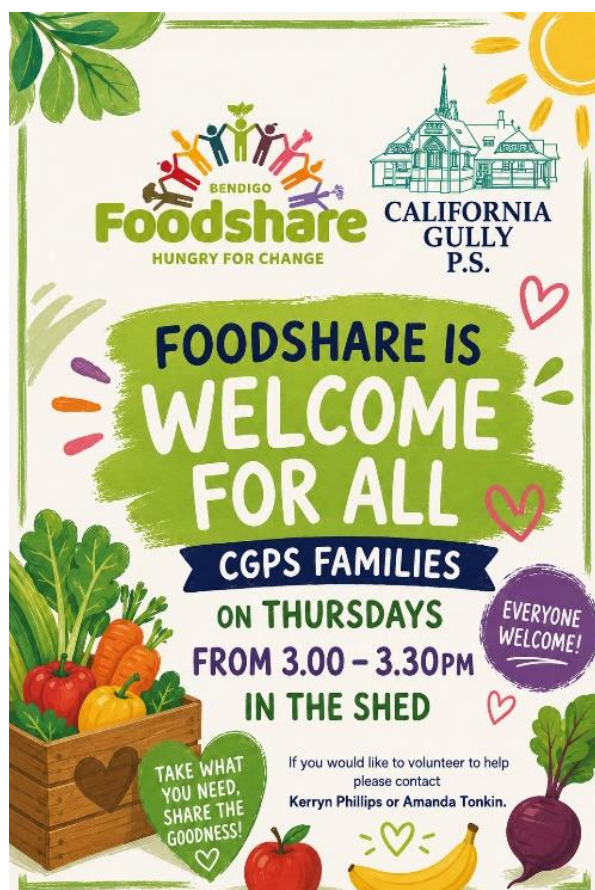
Our school uniform supplier, State Schools Relief (SSR), has rebranded its online store to Equal Threads which will continue to provide quality, affordable uniforms while supporting students across Victoria.

There's nothing you need to do. Our school uniform range, ordering process and service all remain the same. Families can continue to easily find and purchase items using the familiar 'Shop by School' option on the new website.

Every purchase made through Equal Threads helps support students experiencing disadvantage with the essentials they need to feel confident, included, and ready to learn.

Visit the new website at

<https://www.equalthreads.org.au/collections/california-gully-ps>



Running for over a decade, the program now delivers 1,500kg of free fruit to Bendigo school children every week.

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@mckernsteel foundation

Made possible thanks to McKern Foundation and our supporting partners:

BlueScope, King & Co., Bendigo Community Health Services, FURPHY, IMPACTA, Adroit Insurance & Risk, DOBELI, McKean McGregor, AGNICO EAGLE, M'ATE air conditioning, KIESER, Bendigo Telco, DLO, Healthy LONDON CAMPAIGN, nab, PRIMARY CARE CENTRE, Your business here

Want to support the program? Contact us to sponsor and provide more fruit to your school.

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FAMILY HUB

As part of our work with The Resilience Project this term, our emphasis has been on **Empathy**. The Family Hub helps build healthy habits – not just for your kids, but for you too.

You will find:

- Bite-sized videos
- Practical tips and ideas
- Family-friendly activities



Empathy

Putting ourselves in the shoes of others to feel and see what they do. We practice this through being kind and compassionate towards other people.



Video

Tips to manage overwhelm as a parent with Dr. Em.

Duration: 5 minutes and 15 seconds



Family Activity

Developing empathy helps us to foster deeper connections, increases our likelihood of acting kindly, and helps us experience positive emotions.

Try practising empathy with our **Family Vocabulary activity**.



theresilienceproject.com.au



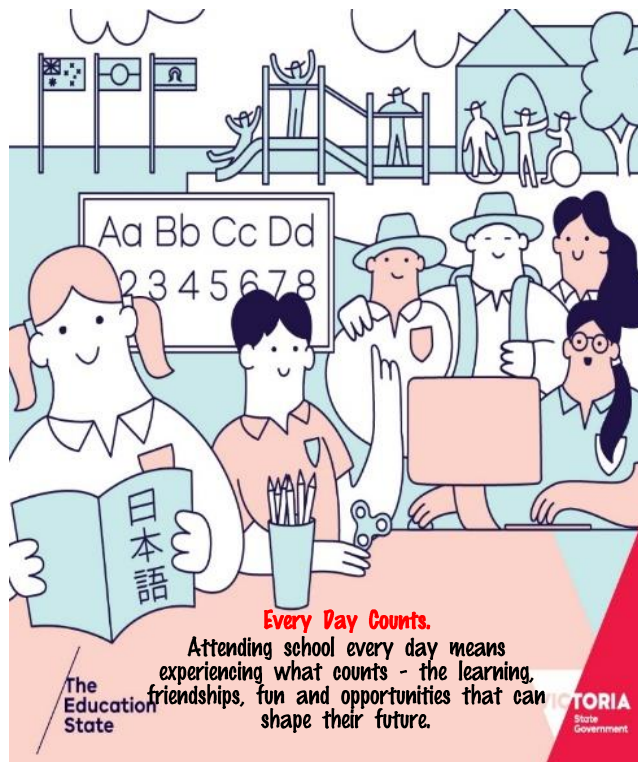
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WHEN ARE BOOK CLUB ORDERS DUE?

ORDERS ARE DUE ON... Thursday August 20th 2026

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

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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 7th

Foundation A (Hinton):

- Patrick G. - For consistently counting groups to 5.
Arianna O. - For fabulous reading of heart words.

Foundation B (Tonkin):

- Edith C. - For working hard at reading with expression.
Alexander H. - For his super reading of heart words and reading smoothly and expressively.

Grade 1/2 A (Carroll-Dillon):

- Allira C. - For great participation in gym and class sessions. Well Done!
Alilyah O. - For great work with arrays. Well Done!
Imogen R. - For great work with arrays. Well Done!

Grade 1/2 B (Ennor):

- Aarlo T. - For great work with arrays.
Iylah Z. - For working really well in Mrs. Ryan's group.

Grade 1/C (Leed):

- Margot LaB. - For being a kind, caring and considerate class mate.
Hunter M. - For always being an enthusiastic and inquisitive learner.

Grade 3/4 A (McKerrow):

- Kristian G. - For excellent work with large numbers.
Austen L. - For excellent work with large numbers.

Grade 3/4 B (Ryan):

- Kody W. - For working hard in maths when reading and ordering large numbers.
Zane W. - For his hard work creating a graphic novel in our Author's Masterclass.

Grade 5/6 A (Price):

- Emily C. - For her consistent home reading and use of diary.
Allira S. - For her developing confidence in division.



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Which public holiday do you prefer for 2027 and beyond?



JOIN US! STRIKERS NETBALL CLUB
TWILIGHT SEASON 2026

LOOKING FOR A FUN, TEAM-BASED SPORT?
 COME PLAY NETBALL WITH US IN 2026!
New and experienced players welcome!

TWILIGHT SEASON RUNS OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2026

FOR & FRIENDLY
 2 leagues for new players and experienced players

SKILLS & DEVELOPMENT
 Evening group for all levels and skill levels, while learning fun

ALL ABILITIES
 20+ inclusive players of all abilities that create a real sense of community

TRAVEL VOUCHER
 \$1000 per player, \$2000 per team, \$4000 per school

BOYS & GIRLS GRADES 3 AND ABOVE

INTERESTED? REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TODAY! MORE INFORMATION TO COME SOON.

CONTACT US
 EMAIL: info@strikersnetballclub.com.au
 WEBSITE: www.strikersnetballclub.com.au

STRIKERS NETBALL CLUB

FIND US ON FACEBOOK
[strikersnetballclub](https://www.facebook.com/strikersnetballclub)

Cough or sneeze into arm



Keep your distance



Wash hands



Sanitise hands



Don't touch your face



Stay at home if sick



Are you supporting a family member or friend with disability, mental illness, age or health issues? Even if it's just for a few hours every week, you could be a **young carer. This may look like....**

Going with them to appointments or helping with medication

Cleaning the house or helping with other chores

Providing emotional support when someone feels sad

Taking care of younger siblings

Being a young carer might feel lonely. But you're not alone.

Carer Gateway has **free support** for **young carers** aged 25 and under.

Carer Gateway may support you with things like help at home, young carer social events, counselling or study help.

Scan to learn more



nab AFL Auskick
4-7 YEAR OLDS*

Your introduction into Australian football centred around game-based activities kids love.

AFL Superkick
7-12 YEAR OLDS

Designed for any child to give it a go, with a focus on skill development and learning how to play the game.

**Kids can join NAB AFL Auskick if they are turning 5 in the calendar year (before 30th June in WA)*

BENDIGO ALL GIRLS AUSKICK AND SUPERKICK CENTRE

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STARTING AUGUST 25TH

TUESDAYS 4:15PM - 5:15PM

Register to go in the draw to win a Richmond AFLW Guernsey!

AUSKICK



SUPERKICK



Free support, call now!
1800 422 737
carergateway.gov.au



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Looking towards 2027 Term 1

PROPS THEATRE

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Stage One for 5 - 8 years
Stage Two for 9 - 12 years

LOCATION
82A Mitchell Street Studio
www.propstheatre.com.au
Enrolments OPEN

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STRATHFIELDSAYE
STRATH
BASKETBALL CLUB

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

SUMMER SEASON

Born 2020-2017?
We'd love to hear from you!

Strong interest may help us form additional teams in these age groups.

Older juniors and adults welcome too
Team placement depends on player numbers and available vacancies

REGISTRATIONS AND ENQUIRIES OPEN NOW
strathfieldsayebc@gmail.com

Strath Starts Here



 Eaglehawk
51 Church Street, Eaglehawk

Free Children's Music

Program Ages 8—13

Come and learn to play a brass instrument from 30 April 3:45 — 5 pm,
Each Thursday during school terms

Contact: 5446 8135 press 1 and leave a message

Afternoon tea will be provided each week.

In partnership with 



 Bendigo Community Health Services

 smalltalk
Having your kids a great start

Supported playgroup

California Gully Primary School

Fridays 9.30-11.30am
Staley Street, California Gully

Morning tea provided
Enrolments essential

A free, fun playground for parents/carers and children to learn together

Contact facilitator
Tiffany Holschier
0498 642 909
tiffanyholschier@bchs.com.au

Our smalltalk playgroups run for two hours a week during school terms. Each session focuses on a different parenting strategy to promote children's learning and development.

 bchs.com.au



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EARLY HELP FAMILY SERVICES

Early Help Family Services is here to support you and your family in your community and be available where you live, work, learn and play.

Early Help is available to parents/caregivers and families with children from birth to 18 years.

Early Help can provide;

- Individual support for families and caregivers
- Safe and confidential parenting groups
- Connection to peer support groups
- Support, information and referrals to help with parenting, child/adolescent behaviour, housing, family problems, mental health and disability

**"GETTING THE RIGHT SUPPORT EARLY
CAN MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE"**

Want to know more? Please speak with your Early Help Family Worker or speak with a school staff member who can refer you to the Early Help Family worker.

Early Help Family Worker

Imogyn O'Neill

Contact

0417 189 640

Email

Imogyn.oneill@anglicarevic.org.au

Location

Bendigo

Anglicare Victoria, Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA) and Tweddle Child and Family Health Service deliver Early Help to families in the West Melbourne area.



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Up to
90%
of Child Care costs
can be covered
by Child Care
Subsidy!

Enrolments Now Open!

**Enrolments are now open
for families to enrol.**

**Enrolments are completed online at
www.theircare.com.au and usually
takes approx. 15 to 20 minutes to
complete.**

**See FAQs on our website
theircare.com.au/families**

Exciting News: OSHC Partnership with TheirCare

We're thrilled to announce a brand-new partnership with **TheirCare**, a leading independent provider of Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC)! Starting July 2026, TheirCare will be joining our school community to deliver exceptional care and unforgettable experiences for our students.

What does this mean for our families?

- **Safe & Supportive:** TheirCare creates a welcoming environment where every child feels valued and secure.
- **Fun & Engaging:** Kids will enjoy a variety of play-based learning programs designed to spark creativity, build friendships, and develop essential life skills.
- **Inclusive & Inspiring:** Every child is encouraged to explore, discover, and grow—together!

As well as offering After School Care, they are also offering Before School Care.

Want to learn more?

Visit theircare.com.au or call TheirCare's friendly support team on **1300 072 410**, alternatively you can email Angela.Waters@education.vic.gov.au.

**Gratitude
Empathy
Mindfulness &
Emotional Literacy**



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TheirCare
Where Kids Love To Be!

California Gully Primary School

Social, enjoyable & fun experiences for children

Develop creativity, life skills & confidence through play

Qualified, caring & engaged staff

Exciting & thoughtfully developed programs

Healthy & Yummy food provided each day

Bookings now open!

	Monday - Friday Hours of Operation	Fee before Child Care Subsidy*	Out-of-pocket fee after Child Care Subsidy**
Before School Care (BSC)	8:00 AM TO 8:30 AM	\$28.00	\$2.00
After School Care (ASC)	3:15 PM TO 6:00 PM	\$21.00	\$1.00
Full Day	7:00 AM TO 6:00 PM	\$49.00	\$5.00
Holiday Program***	7:00 AM TO 6:00 PM	\$80.00	\$0.00

*Standard fee scale before Child Care Subsidy ** Standard fee scale after Child Care Subsidy *** Standard fee scale including before/after school care

Cancellation Fee
(No Child Care Subsidy applied to Cancellation Fee)

BSC/ASC within 48 hours of session start time: \$5.00

Holiday Program within 5 days of session start time: \$10.00

Same day cancellation fee is out-of-pocket session fee

Late Booking Fee
(Child Care Subsidy is applied to Late Booking Fee)

BSC/ASC within 48 hours of session start time: \$5.00

Holiday Program: book less than 5 days from the session start time fee is \$10.00

Late Pick-up Fee
(Child Care Subsidy does not apply to Late Pick-up Fee)

\$1 per minute after service close time.

To register visit
theircare.com.au

Service phone number:
0478 834 327

Your service Coordinator will be available during session times.

Save up to 90% with child care subsidy



Book Now

TheirCare support team is available between 6.30am - 9pm weekdays (Eastern Standard Time) on 1300 072 410 or info@theircare.com.au



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Brilliant artists and instructors take the classes in real-time on Zoom.

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- All age groups covered!
- Super affordable
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FROM
4PM**



AGE GROUPS
 • 5 & UNDER
 • 7 & UNDER
 • 9 & UNDER
 • 11 & UNDER

TERM 4 2026 + TERM 1 2027

JUNIOR FUTSAL

MONDAY
Competition

WEDNESDAY
Beginner league

SCAN QR CODE BELOW TO REGISTER

1-3 Waterson Court, Golden Square VIC 3555
PHONE: 0428 471 077
EMAIL: admin@bendigomajorleague.com.au





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