The Bell Topper
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Thursday August 27th 2015

Calendar
Saturday August 29th
Trivia Night

Thursday September 3rd
⇒ Family Fun Maths Night
⇒ Fathers’ Day Stall
⇒ Parents Club Lunch Order Day

Wednesday September 9th
Grades 4 to 6 Sovereign Hill Excursion

Thursday September 10th
Curriculum Day - No Students Required at School

Friday September 18th
⇒ Final School Camp Payments Due
⇒ Last Day Term 3

Every Tuesday and Friday
8.30 a.m. - 8.55 a.m.
Library Open for borrowing and returning books and quiet reading

Every Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
Playgroup

Every Friday 8.00 a.m. - 8.20 a.m.
Breakfast Program

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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
• Annual Trivia Night Saturday August 29th. Please book your table with Nicole in the office. (Further details on page 3).
• Learning Club has re-commenced, Wednesdays 3.15 to 5.00 p.m.
• Fathers’ Day Breakfast, Friday September 4th commencing at 8.00 a.m. Notes going home TOMORROW.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

MAINTENANCE FUNDING FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS
I am pleased to announce to our school community we have been allocated $98,000 in maintenance funding for renovations to our school buildings. The vast majority of this funding is earmarked for the main building. The money has been directed to this building based on an independent audit completed (in every government school) back in 2012. Maintenance work will not commence until further discussions are had with the Education Department and a process for prioritising the works is completed.

LIBRARY BUILDING
In approximately two weeks the process of removing the library building will commence. The library (and program) has been transferred down to the Junior Building and the staff must be congratulated on a very smooth transition to date. Although when the Department of Education identifies buildings to be removed from a school and in this case ours it can be somewhat disappointing to lose a building. We can however be satisfied the new library space will adequately cater for our students and open up the outside area for further play space.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
Building Resilience in School Communities

The consent forms for the “Building Resilience in School Communities Program” were forwarded to families on Tuesday 18\textsuperscript{th} August. 90% of students in grades 3-6 have returned the notes and over the next three weeks we will complete the survey with the students. The Resilience Survey is completed online and is completely anonymous and no student can be identified. The data will be collected and analysed by Resilient Youth Australia and reported back to me. Our school will use this data to help identify the strengths of our students, and enable us to ensure we are supporting our students in an effective and meaningful way.

Curriculum Day - Advanced Notice

A curriculum day has been scheduled for Thursday September 10\textsuperscript{th}. Students are not required at school on this day. After School Care will not be available on this day.

2016 Prep Students: Enrol Now

Enrolment paperwork for Prep students for 2016 should be completed by now. If you haven’t submitted the following documents, please do so immediately.

- A completed enrolment form (available from the school).
- A copy of your child’s birth certificate (the school will photocopy the original for you). Birth certificates can be ordered from the Victorian Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages.
- A copy of your child’s immunisation certificate (the school will photocopy the original for you). This document is issued by the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register, on completion of your child’s 4 year old vaccine.

Further details are available at the school office or phone: 5446 8393.

Jason Lee
Principal

Final Payments for the Grades 3 to 6 Camp are due Friday September 18\textsuperscript{th}. Family Statements reflecting Amounts Owed have been sent home.

School Calendar

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Parents’ Club Meeting
The next meeting will be held **on a day and time to be confirmed** in the conference room.

Second-hand Uniforms Wanted
Parents’ Club want to start a Second-hand Uniform Store. If you have any unused uniforms including track pants, hats, plain polo’s you would like to donate please bring them to the school office.

Fathers’ Day Stall
The Parents’ Club will be holding the Fathers’ Day stall on Thursday September 3rd.

Lunch Orders
Parents’ Club lunch orders will be available next Thursday, September 3rd. Order forms will be sent home on Monday.

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

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**California Gully Primary School Trivia Night**

*Saturday 29th of August 2015*  
*@ California Gully P.S Early Years Learning Centre*

6.30pm until late

*Tickets can be purchased from Nicole @ the office or phone 5446 8393*  
*Tickets are $10 each.*

*Please bring food & drinks to share for your table.*

*Lots of fun, prizes and laughs.*  
*As well as a silent Auction.*

*Please support these businesses who are supporting our Trivia Night on Saturday August 29th.*

- The Complete Garden
- Home @ Market Place
- SportsPower
- Statewide Irrigation
- Fish ‘n’ Feathers
- Games World
- Officeworks
- Bakers Delight
- SportsCo
- Drummond Golf
- Made in Common
- Brougham Arm Hotel
- The Good Loaf
- Brewhouse
- Rifle Brigade Hotel
- Old Green Bean
- Bicknells
- Hairhouse Warehouse
- Diggers
- My Hair (Hargreaves Mall)
- Peter Anthony Menswear
- The Body Shop

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Maths Careers Talks
Following the success of our Maths Careers Talks last year, the Grades 4 – 6 will again be having a series of guest speakers at school. Our guest speakers talk to the children about the way they use Maths in their jobs and why they needed to continue to work hard in Maths throughout secondary school. Last year the careers talks included a chef, hairdresser, computer programmer, account and a fraud analyst from Bendigo Bank. Our first speaker this year was a young man, Jackson Bowe who is studying graphic design at La Trobe University, has his own design business and has worked extensively in hospitality throughout his years as a student. We really appreciate Jackson giving up his time to talk to our students. The students were very interested in what Jackson had to say and asked many good questions.

Maths Talks - Jackson
On Thursday Grades 4 to 6 had a special visitor. His name was Jackson. Jackson talked to us about his life, jobs and maths. He works as a Graphic Designer. His first school was Eaglehawk Primary, then Eaglehawk North Primary School. Then he went to Eaglehawk Secondary and worked at Eaglehawk Subway. He completed year 11 and 12 and then went to Latrobe University. Jackson was fourteen when he decided that he wanted to be a graphic designer. Since then he has made many posters, signs and much more. Jackson went through year 12 thinking maths was not important but every job needs maths. A graphic designer needs lots of maths. How long will it take to make the picture? How big will the picture be? How big to the letters? All this is maths. Jackson loves his job and would definitely recommend it.

By Ella and Keely
Gr 4/5E

Family Maths Night
As part of Literacy & Numeracy Week celebrations the school will again run a Family Fun Maths Night on Thursday 3rd September. A BBQ will kick the evening off from 5.30pm and a number of activities will run from 6.00pm - 7.00pm. This was an enjoyable family night each year. There will be a variety of fun Maths activities to cater for all age groups with competitions and prizes. To ensure we have adequate take home bags and food for the BBQ, please complete the form on page 16 and return to the office by Tuesday, September 1.

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The Smash Off Cooking Day

By Miss G.
This week the grade 1/2 and 3 classes made pancakes and salad for lunch. The teachers got most of the ingredients from the chicken house and all the vegetables from the vegetable garden at Cal Gully School.
All that was needed for the big cook was three eggs, ricotta cheese, lemon, flour, kale and oil.
The class had a recipe to follow and were taught how to use chef knives safely. Electric frying pans were used to cook the pancakes.
The children mixed the ingredients together and chopped the salad.
The classes enjoyed the yummy food in the classroom for lunch.

Class Cooking

By Tai W.
This week 2/3CH did cooking with Mrs Watt. Three parents helped the class to cook delicious ricotta cheese pancakes and kale salad.
The school chickens donated the eggs for the pancakes. Healthy fresh kale was used from the school garden.
Mrs Watt taught the class to use the knives safely.
The students chopped up the vegetables and did the mixing and stirring of the pancakes. Some of the students cooked the pancakes and some washed the dishes and cleaned up.
The pancakes and salad were eaten in the classroom.
The students enjoyed their cooking lesson.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Cooking

The Class Cook Off

By Holly S.
This week 3/1 and 2 CEPPS had a go at the class cook off. Mrs Watt was in charge, the class had parent helpers and made an absolutely delicious kale salad. The class also made pancakes too.
The children were making eggs. The class needed eggs for the pancakes.
The students were put into different groups. The class had to do a lot of chopping, mixing, grating, filling and cooking the bread for the class. Some people liked the bread some people didn’t.
The recipe for the kale salad was kale of course, capers, crunch, corn, tomatoes and kale dressing. The class had to prepare them all on the table.
The students had to get the ingredients themselves.
When the cooking was over the class had to clean the dishes! That meant it a tough job. The class needed to wash the table and had to put all the ingredients back.
Some of the teachers helped the kids with some of the hard jobs like chopping with the sharp knives.
The children did the easy job – eating the pancakes!
What a hard day!

Tissues
Can the parents of children in Grade 4/5B (Windridge-Reilly) please supply a box of tissues for the classroom.

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Book Week Activities

Tuesday, August 25th
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Book Week Dress-Up Day

Wednesday, August 26th
Congratulations to the following students on being named Student of The Week for their positive attitude to school and social values.

**Friday August 21st**

**Prep/1 Christian:**
- Dante A. - For doing his personal best during Maths sessions.
- Riley Co. - For being a friendly class member of Prep/1C.
- Tawseef H. - For his fantastic effort in all areas. Welcome to CGPS Taswseef.

**2/3 Watt-Holt:**
- Oscar G. - For working well in Speech with Kath.
- Charlie M. - For fantastic table manners during the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program

**4/5 Windridge-Reilly:**
- Dakoda B. - For showing excellent leadership in human boggle.
- Jayden B. - For working extremely hard in Maths on division.

**6 McKerrow:**
- Dariyn B. - For excellent work with complex equations.
- Tanika M. - For excellent story writing.

PepperGreen Farm vegie bags available to order through Wendy Ennor. Place your order on a Wednesday, $30 full bag or $15 half bag. Price includes delivery to school.

**Jim Wid Tennis Coaching**

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FREE racket for new enrollments (Age 9 and under)

Contact Jim: 0431209930
email: jimwidtennis@gmail.com
website: www.jimwidtennis.com
Facebook: Find us on Facebook!

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Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you’d like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Golden Square Kindergarten - 50 Year Celebration

This year marks 50 years since Golden Square Kindergarten opened its doors at 45 Panton Street. To celebrate this momentous occasion, a day honouring the kindergarten’s contribution to education in Bendigo will be held for past and present students, families and educators on September 13th at 11am-3pm.

The Golden Square Kindergarten Committee are seeking contributions of photographs, memorabilia and memorable moments linked to the kindergarten with the vision being to display some of the kindergarten’s heritage at the 50 year celebration. Further input is being sought for another feature, the “where are they now” display, showing current photographs and captions of what previous students are now doing. Contributions can be posted to Golden Square Kindergarten PO Box 157 Golden Square, Vic 3555 or emailed to golden.square.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

For more information phone on (03) 5443 7668

Event Details:

Golden Square Kindergarten 50 Year Celebration
11am-3pm, 13th September, 2015
Meet past and present students and educators
Opening of Indigenous Garden & Flag raising ceremony at 11am
Sausage sizzle, raffle, photo gallery and much more
Birthday cake at 12 noon

Do you have an old rusty garden wheelbarrow you no longer need? The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program would love some so that we can start wheelbarrow gardens in order to put them in the Bendigo Show competitions. If you can help us out please see Megan Watt or Wendy Ennor.

Learning Club is back for Term 3

Welcome back to the school term. Hope everyone had a wonderful break! Learning Club commenced for term 3; Wednesday’s from 3.15pm – 5.00pm.

We have six new Pre-Service Teachers from La Trobe University running Learning Club this term and they have been looking forward to working with the kids through interactive games and activities.

Learning Clubs provide a safe and supportive out-of-school learning environment where primary students can participate in activities that develop their academic and social skills. Clubs usually run for at least 2 terms, and children attend once a week at no cost. Through regular attendance at our Learning Club, students are able to enhance their learning and development skills.

If you are interested in sending your child/ren to Learning Club please see Nicole at reception for enrolment details.

Learning Club is a partnership between The Smith Family & La Trobe University.

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GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS

TIP 7. JUST MUCKING AROUND IS GOOD FOR YOU

Life can be stressful for adults and kids too, and everyone benefits from a rest now and then. These days many people have forgotten the art of ‘just mucking around’. It means not doing anything in particular, not being organised or structured. It can seem like a waste of time, but it’s one of the healthiest things you can do, especially as a family. Hanging around, laughing over silly things, just watching the clouds go by is relaxing and refreshing. It helps your mind turn off for a while and it lets your body relax.

What you can do NOW

- Resist the urge to tell kids to keep busy.
- Show the way by taking time out and enjoying yourself rather than always trying to get things done.
- Stock up on board games suitable for the whole family to play.

Top Tip

Some kids who lie around watching TV to pass the time may seem relaxed but often they feel exhausted. What they need is some fresh air and physical activity.

Good idea!

Suggest that the family set aside a time each week when you don’t have to do anything or be anywhere in particular. No television, no computer games, no playstation - just general mucking around. It may be hard at first, but you’ll come to love it.

National Healthy Bones Week

National Healthy Bones Week is hosted by Osteoporosis Australia and Dairy Australia to raise awareness about growing and maintaining healthy bones.

Important facts about calcium
- Calcium is essential for normal development and growth.
- It is needed for the formation of bones and teeth.
- Children need at least 2 to 3 servings of calcium each day.
- The best source of calcium is milk along with cheese and yoghurt.
- Low fat milk and yoghurt have as much calcium as full fat varieties.

Ideas for increasing calcium intake
- Add sliced/diced low fat cheeses in the lunchbox or on sandwiches.
- A glass of milk is great anytime – at breakfast, after school or before bedtime.
- Milk/yoghurt based shakes are always fun, just add fresh fruit or juice.
- A huge variety of low fat fruit yoghurts suitable for lunchboxes are also available.
- Breakfast cereal with low fat milk makes a great snack any time of the day.
- Add low fat yoghurt to potatoes or soups
- Tinned fish with bones, e.g. canned salmon
- Nuts and seeds e.g. almonds, tahini.
ANNUAL ‘HELP THE CHICKENS’ MONTH
Our annual ‘Help the Chickens’ month is underway. If you would like to make a Gold Coin donation to help feed the girls and (and boy). Drop your donation in to Wendy.

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 eating 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:
- September 2nd: Fathers’ Day Craft
- September 9th: Multi-Purpose Room—Adventure Play
- September 16th: Making Honey Joys
- October 7th: Sandpit
- October 14th: Cooking Pancakes
For information of what events are coming up in playgroup please visit the school website Playgroup page.

Join us on Facebook: www.facebook/calgullyplaygroup1

AFTER SCHOOL 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

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Paul Sadler Swimland
Saturday August 29th.
School Proposal.

Water Safety Talk with Swordy Visit & BBQ for students

How to enter
Simply advertise our ‘Open Day’ event in your school newsletter.
Each child who attends our Open Day and puts their School’s name on our entry form can help your school win!
The school with the most entries...... WINS
Good Luck......!

General enquiries please phone:
Lynn 5443 2164

Romsey Primary School is 150 years old this year.

You are invited to join us for our celebrations on Saturday October 24th between 10.00am and 4.00pm.
School tours and visits to the old school site,
Displays of student projects, old photos and other memorabilia,
Performances and demonstrations by students,
Devonshire Teas and gourmet bar-b-cue,
Market Stalls
A formal ceremony to mark the occasion at 2.30pm

Catch up with old friends or discover RPS for the first time!

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Soccer Juggle Off

Sunday 13th Sept 2015
11am-2pm
25 Peel Street Bendigo

Open to all primary school children.
Entry only $1-$2.

Prizes to be won!
Including a signed Melbourne Victory Soccer Ball (signed by the Australian champions!)

"In a 2m square, how many consecutive juggles can you do in one minute?"

Men's Health Week 2015

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Catch the savings bug with school banking every Tuesday.

**City of Greater Bendigo Whipstick Ward Meetings**

**Meeting time and date may be subject to change. To confirm, please visit [www.bendigo.vic.gov.au](http://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au)**

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Eaglehawk Branch
CNR High & Church St
Eaglehawk VIC 3556
P: 03 5466 8511

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**Bendigo Bank**

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**NETBALL CLINIC FOR ALL AGES**

Thursday 17 Sept, 2015

**1st Session**
4.30pm – 6.00pm (10-13yrs)

**2nd Session**
6.00pm – 7.30pm (14yrs +)

Numbers are limited, so be quick!

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**SPACE RACING**

**Action Orienteering**

**WHAT** — Orienteering for Kids/Families

**WHERE** — Local Parks and Reserves

**WHEN** — Saturday 1:30 – 2:30 pm
July - 25, August - 1, 15, 22, 29

No experience necessary, all equipment supplied, register your interest contact:
secretary@bendigo-orienteers.com.au
Or visit the club’s website:
www.bendigo-orienteers.com.au
Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

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California Gully Primary School

Join us at our weekly Breakfast Program

Every Friday from 8 a.m. to 8.20 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 28th at 8 a.m. (please note that we will stop serving breakfast at 8.20 a.m.).

Sharing in breakfast together, what a great way for our school community to start to start the day!

We would also like to acknowledge the assistance of Fairley’s IGA in Eaglehawk for providing the food for the breakfast.

Family Maths Night  Next Thursday, September 3  5.30 – 7.00

Family Name: _______________________

Number of Adults: ______  Number of children: ________

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