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

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The Bell Topper

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Thursday July 16th 2015

CALENDAR

Monday July 20th
School Council Meeting 7.00 p.m.

Friday July 24th
100 Days of Math Celebration

Wednesday July 29th
⇒ Final Day for Payment of Student Requisite Charges
⇒ Learning Club Re-Commences for Term 3

Monday August 10th
⇒ School Photo Day
⇒ School Council Meeting 7.00 p.m.

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

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

- 100 Days of Maths Celebration - Friday July 24th
- All outstanding Student Requisite Charges are to be paid by Wednesday July 29th.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WELCOME BACK

I trust our school community has had an enjoyable break and the children are refreshed and ready for a productive term 3.

Term 3 Events
There are a number of major events occurring during term 3. Below are some of the key dates.

School photos will take place on Monday August 10th
Book Week is the week beginning - Monday 24th August - ‘Books light up our world’ is the theme and we will have a number of activities to celebrate the benefits and enjoyment we get from reading regularly.

Literacy & Numeracy Week will take place the week beginning the 31st August.

Writers Festival for children in grades 4, 5 and 6 will take place in Bendigo on 7th August.

Interschool Sports: Netball (July 17th) Football (July 22nd July) and Basketball (August 21st)

2016 PREP ENROLMENTS

Term 3 is an important time of the year for planning next year’s grade structures. If you know of someone who plans to enrol their child at California Gully Primary School or is considering their options please encourage them to contact the school for further information or to start the enrolment process.

An important date to remember is our 2016 Prep information session which will be held on Tuesday 18th August, 7.00pm & Wednesday 19th August, 10.00am.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

The 2015 Parent Opinion Survey is to be conducted statewide from Monday 27th July through to Friday 7th August. A random sample list of 40 families is generated through our CASES21 administrative system and these families will be forwarded the surveys. If you are one of the fortunate parents to receive a survey it is extremely important the survey is completed and returned to school. The more surveys returned the more reliable the results will be. The Department of Education and Training compiles the results which we will then analyse and use to inform and direct our plans for school improvement.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
PARENTS’ CLUB SUPPORT
Once again the ongoing support of Parents’ Club through their fundraising efforts has allowed the school to purchase a class set of chairs for grade 4/5WR as well as the 2015 Australian Shortlisted Books. As with all the items we purchase through the work of Parents’ Club the items will benefit the students for years to come, thank you Parents’ Club. Parents’ Club is always looking for new parents who would like to assist in some capacity. The more support Parents’ Club receives the easier the job becomes and as importantly greater opportunities to raise funds to support our students.

Jason Lee
Principal

The children in Mrs. Windridge and Ms. Reilly’s Grade 4/5 class show off some of the new books and new chairs recently purchased by the Parents’ Club.

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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.

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

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:
- July 22nd: Pasting/Bottle Cap Bugs
- July 29th: Visit to the White Hills Botanic Gardens
- August 5th: Planting
- August 12th: Multi-Purpose Room—Adventure Play
- August 19th: Pasting/Painting

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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Celebrating Mathematics
at California Gully Primary School

100 Days of Maths Celebration
on Friday 24th July

We are looking forward to the 100th Day of Maths. A special Maths Day is planned. We will have a 100 Day Assembly. All children will contribute to this assembly celebrating the importance of Maths. Parents, grandparents and friends are invited to join this assembly at 9.00am.
During the day children will work in multi-age groups exploring a variety of Maths activities. There will be a number of competitions. Children will be asked to bring collections of 100 to display on the day.
We will have a small 100 day party lunch provided free for all children.
Please take the time to check our PowerPoint which is on display in the corridor entry to the main building and then continued on the windows at the entrance to Junior Unit building. The PowerPoint is also on the Maths page of the school website.
Annette Peacock and Linda Windridge.

Check out the Maths page on our school website to see what your child has been doing to celebrate 100 days of Maths.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
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 (attached to this week’s Bell Topper) 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

Learning Club is back for Term 3

Welcome back to the school term. Hope everyone had a wonderful break! Learning Club will be commencing on Wednesday 29th July from 3.15pm – 5.00pm. We have six new Pre-Service Teachers from La Trobe University running Learning Club this term and they are 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.

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 June 26th**

**2/3 Carroll-Hinton:**
- Emily K. - For achieving 100 nights of reading. Awesome effort!

**2/3 Watt-Holt:**
- Josephine C. - For remembering to bring her reader bag everyday.
- Billy N. - For being an excellent Winter artist and helping his classmates.

**4/5 Windridge-Reilly:**
- Zander C. - For completing the Premiers’ Reading Challenge.
- Kodi P. - For completing the Premiers’ Reading Challenge.

**6 McKerrow:**
- Benjamin P. - For excellent work in problem solving.
- Zac T. - For excellent work with math tasks.

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**Tissues**

Can the parents of children in Grade 6 please supply a box of tissues for the classroom. With the cold weather already here, we have a lot of sniffles!
GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS

TIP 1. YOU ARE IN CHARGE

Yes, You are in charge.

You are the adult and the parent, and it’s up to you to guide your kids. This means you decide what’s best for them and you have the final say.

Kids need limits and boundaries. They need to hear from you what’s best for them. Let them know that you are setting rules out of love and care.

What you can do NOW

- Decide on changes you can make to your family’s lifestyle and eating habits e.g. going for a walk together for 30 minutes at least twice a week, including fruits and/or vegetables with every meal.
- Make a list of nutritious foods to buy next time you shop.
- Take charge of what goes into the supermarket trolley.

Good idea!

Tell the kids you want the whole family to be fit and healthy, and invite them to make suggestions. They will accept that you are in charge more easily if they can contribute their ideas.

LEGUMES

Legumes include:
- split peas, red and brown lentils, kidney beans, chickpeas, cannellini beans, broad beans, three-and four-bean mixes, soya beans and haricot beans (navy beans).

Did you know? Dried legumes are sometimes called pulses.

Legumes are:
- **Nutritious**: They are nutrient-dense carbohydrate foods and are also a good source of protein, iron and dietary fibre.
- **Easy to store**: Store dried legumes in their packet or in a screw top jar. Legumes can be frozen once cooked.
- **Tasty**: They are delicious in soups, casseroles, dips and spreads.
- **Inexpensive**: They cost far less than other protein foods.
- **Easy to prepare**: Use legumes straight from the can or soak them before cooking to reduce the cooking time.
- **Satisfying**: Being filling, they stave off hunger pangs for longer than many other foods. They also help to maintain stable blood sugar levels (good low GI food).

Visit [www.nutritionaustralia.org](http://www.nutritionaustralia.org) for more recipes!

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.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
EGGS FOR SALE
Our girls are busy laying lots of eggs, $2.50 a dozen. See Wendy in the grade 4/5A room.

With your support our children can explore the universe and change the world one Discovery at a time...

HELP NEEDED TO KEEP THIS ICONIC INSTITUTION OPEN
Please buy a membership (unlimited entry for a year!) or donate via:
www.chuffed.org/project/save-discovery
or direct deposit to:
Bendigo Science & Technology Museum Inc.
B5E-653-000 Account: 155042708
Donations fully tax deductible.
Enquiries: manager@discovery.asn.au

LOCALLY LOVED – INTERNATIONALLY ACCLAIMED

Kangaroo Flat
SOUP KITCHEN

Start Date: Wednesday 4 March
6:00pm - 7:00pm

Location: Rotary Gateway Park

Dates this year:
March - 4, 11, 18 & 25
April - 1, 8 & 29
May - 6, 13, 20 & 27
June - 3, 10, 17 & 24
July - 15, 22 & 29
August - 5, 12, 19 & 26
September - 2, 9 & 16
October - 7, 14, 21 & 28
November - 4, 11, 18 & 25
December - 2, 9 & 16

Affordably supported by

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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City of Greater Bendigo Whipstick Ward Meetings 7pm - 8.30pm
Ward Councillors – Mayor Peter Cox, Lisa Ruffell and James Williams
Meeting time and date may be subject to change. To confirm, please visit www.bendigo.vic.gov.au

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                 |                       | Daly’s Road, Woodvale                                                    |
| Neilborough     | Monday August 17      | Neilborough Hall
                 |                       | Murchison Street, Neilborough                                           |
| Sebastian       | Monday August 31      | Sebastian Hall
                 |                       | Sebastian Road, Sebastian                                               |
| Long Gully      | Monday September 14   | Long Gully Pavilion
                 |                       | Cunneen Street, Long Gully                                              |
| North Bendigo   | Monday October 12     | North Bendigo Pavilion, North Bendigo Recreation Reserve, Atkins Street, North Bendigo |
| Eaglehawk       | Monday October 26     | Eaglehawk Town Hall, Council Chamber
                 |                       | Cnr Sailors Gully Road and Peg Leg Road, Eaglehawk                      |
| Bendigo         | Monday November 16    | Bendigo Library, Activity Rooms 1 & 2
                 |                       | 259 Hargreaves Street, Bendigo                                          |

Kidz Biz

This eight week program uses art, movement and relaxation techniques to help school aged children and young people to cope with grief and loss when their parents separate.

Term 3, 2015
When: Wednesday 22nd July - 9th September 2015
Time: Arrival and registration 3.30pm
      Sessions 3.45pm - 5.00pm
Where: CatholicCare Sandhurst Noel Daly Room, 176 McCrae St Bendigo
Cost: $25 for program *(health care card recipients $15)*
Child care: Sorry, child care is not provided
Facilitators: Marlene Mcloughlin, Linda Lynch and Jo Rodriguez
Parking: No on site parking available - please park in surrounding streets

For bookings and enquiries phone Marlene Mcloughlin on 5438 1300

Seasons for Growth
Change, loss and grief happen to everyone.
Sometimes it hurts. Seasons for Growth can help.

The Seasons for Growth program is designed to help children who have experienced significant change such as loss, death, family breakdown or other change that has had an impact. It aims to assist by normalising the emotions associated with loss, developing a peer support network and helping to restore self-confidence and self-esteem.

Term 3, 2015
When: Wednesday 22nd July - Wednesday 9th September 2015
Time: Arrival and registration 3.45pm
      Sessions 4.00pm - 5.00pm
Where: CatholicCare Noel Daly Room, 170-178 McCrae St, Bendigo
Cost: $25 - if health care card recipient $15
Child care: Sorry, child care is not provided
Facilitators: Linda Lynch
Parking: No on site parking available - please park in surrounding streets

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