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Thursday June 22nd 2023

Our last day for Term 2 is tomorrow, Friday June 23th and the CGPS school day will finish at 2.15 p.m.

Please also remember that OHSC will not operate on the last day of term.

PJ Day - On the last day of term JSC are holding a PJ Day. We encourage everyone to wear their winter PJ's for the day. Please make sure suitable footwear is provided to be worn outside and clothing is also suitable if the weather is cold.

VALE - HELEN SAGGERS

Helen was an active member of the CGPS school community for many years, playing an important role on School Council, Parents Club, the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program and instrumental in the special celebrations that occurred each year (Mothers and Fathers Day, Fundraising and lunches). Helen sadly passed away over the weekend after a short battle with cancer. On behalf of the CGPS community we pass on our sincere condolences to family and friends.

TERM TWO - THANK YOU!

Enjoy the school holiday period. Where you can time find to relax and take a break. Safe travels for anyone going away. We look forward to seeing everyone return on Monday July 10th.

STUDENT REPORTS AND 3-WAY CONFERENCES - FRIDAY JULY 21st

School Reports will be sent home today, Thursday June 22nd and we will hold our 3-Way Conference on Friday July 21st.

Teachers look forward to sharing the progress of your children in Semester 1. It is an important opportunity to acknowledge strengths and also look at what we (teachers, parent/carer and child) can do together to ensure learning gains continue in the second half of the school year. Allocated times have been sent home with reports.

Children will only attend school for the designated interview time on this day.

2024 FOUNDATION (PREP) ENROLMENTS AT C.G.P.S.

Thank you to parents who have let us know their child will be starting (Foundation) Prep next year. We encourage families to contact the school if they have a child starting school next year. As we move into the month of June we start to really focus on staffing, grade structures and the allocation of resources for next year.

The Department of Education has introduced a new enrolment process for all government primary schools. We encourage families to follow the below steps to ensure you have a place at CGPS in 2024:

- Contact CGPS to learn more about our school and the enrolment application process
- Download the Foundation (Prep) enrolment information pack from [Enrolling in Foundation \(Prep\)](#)
- Submit an enrolment application for Foundation (Prep) **by Friday July 28th 2023**
- You will be notified of the outcome of your application **by Friday August 11th 2023**. If you receive an offer of placement, you should contact our school to accept the offer by **Friday August 25th 2023**
- Enrolment applications submitted after July 28th 2023 will be processed by our school as they are received, in accordance with the department's Placement Policy.

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COVID, FLU AND COMMON COLD CHALLENGES

It is very clear that there are many illnesses within communities at present and they are impacting on the health of many. This is no different at CGPS with many classes having a number of students away each day. It is important to note that staffing both teachers and Education Support staff has been extremely challenging due to illness and isolation expectations. We are working extremely hard to keep normal class structures and programs going at present and we are asking for your assistance - **if your child is unwell please keep them home and also make contact with the school to inform.**

Illnesses such as the common cold, flu and COVID are easily transmittable, and we need healthy kids and teachers at school. We understand this is a difficult time although keeping everyone healthy is a priority at this point of the year.



PROJECT +

Parents & Carers

Mindfulness is an intentional awareness generated by paying attention to a whole experience; being present in the moment. It's important to explore what mindfulness strategies are helpful for you.

Thousands of studies have proven benefits include reduced stress, reduced rumination, increased memory, increased cognitive function and physical health benefits through improved immunity.

View Part 4 of the series here:

Part 4 - Mindfulness:

<https://theresilienceproject.com.au/2023-parent-carer-hub-inspire-hugh-martin/>

Hugh highlights some things that mindfulness improves; concentration, quality of thoughts and equanimity (ability to let go). He also shares some mindfulness strategies to use and implement yourself and with your children.

For mental health resources and support information, visit

[The Resilience Project's Support Page.](#)



2024 Foundation (Prep) enrolments at CGPS

The Department of Education (DE) has released a new state-wide Foundation (Prep) enrolment timeline.

The timeline advises families when and how to enrol their child into Foundation (Prep) at a Victorian government primary school, including California Gully Primary School.

The new timeline will apply for children starting Foundation (Prep) in 2024. All government primary schools will follow the new timeline in 2023 to support Foundation (Prep) enrolments for the 2024 school year.

You can find information and resources about the new timeline, including factsheets, at: [Enrolling in Foundation \(Prep\)](#). You can also download the 'Foundation (Prep) Enrolment Information Pack for Parents/Carers for the 2024 school year' from the Starting School webpage (available from 24 April 2023).

What you need to do:

1. Contact our school to learn more about our school and the enrolment application process
2. Download the Foundation (Prep) enrolment information pack from [Enrolling in Foundation \(Prep\)](#)
3. Submit an enrolment application for Foundation (Prep) by Friday July 28th 2023
4. You will be notified of the outcome of your application by Friday August 11th 2023. If you receive an offer of placement, you should contact our school to accept the offer by Friday August 25th 2023
5. Take part in enrolment information and transition sessions during Term 4, 2023
6. Your child will start Foundation (Prep) from Tuesday 30 January 2024.

Enrolment applications submitted after July 28th 2023 will be processed by our school as they are received, in accordance with the department's Placement Policy.

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Dates for the Diary

- Friday June 23rd - PJ Day
- Friday June 23rd - Last Day of Term Two 2.15 p.m. Dismissal
- Monday July 10th - First Day of Term Three
- Friday July 14th - Grades Five & Six BioLAB Excursion
- Friday July 21st - 3-Way Conferences
- Friday July 28th - Applications for Foundation 2024 Due to School



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

Friday June 16th

Foundation Hinton:

- Haill B. - For writing a sensational explanation of a frog lifecycle.
- Elijah L. - For excellent explanations of his mathematical thinking.

Foundation Tonkin:

- Tander F. - For excellent re-reading.

Grade 1/2 Leed:

- Jeremiah J. - For contributing well to class discussions.
- Ellahinie-Leigh K. - For her hard work and independence writing her Information Report.

Grade 1/2 Price:

- Violet F. - For identifying verbs and adjectives in poems.
- Amity H. - For being helpful to her peers and teachers.

Grade 2/3 Carroll-Dillon:

- Flynn H. - For following teacher instructions.
- Allira S. - For working well to identify adjectives and verbs in her poems.

Grade 3/4 Ennor:

- Amber C. - For always giving her best.
- Knox S. - For great partner work in math pattern problem solving activities.

Grade 3/4 Ryan:

- Finn F. - For the excellent presentation of his information report.
- Jakobe L. - For being a polite and friendly member of our classroom.
- Pippa McK. - For her excellent problem solving with division.

Grade 5/6 McKerrow:

- Aengus C. - For excellent work in mathematics.
- Tiana C.-B. - For excellent work with two-digit multiplication.
- Katie F. - For excellent work in mathematics.

Grade 5/6 Windridge-Lee:

- Scarlett C. - For her written book review of 'Runt'.
- Anne-Marie F. - For working hard on her book review of 'Runt'.
- Zephie P. - For her written book review of 'Runt'.



PJ DAY!



On Friday, June 23rd



Come dressed in your pyjamas!

Bring a gold coin donation!



La Trobe Sport

School Holiday Programs
Bendigo



latrobe.edu.au/sport

Looking for something
fun for the kids to do
during the Winter
holidays?

Come and experience La
Trobe Sport's fun-filled
School Holiday
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- When: Winter School Holidays
- Where: La Trobe Indoor Sports Centre (Bendigo)
- Cost: \$50 per child
ENTIRE DAY UP TO 5PM



For more information
and to register, scan
the QR code!

sport@latrobe.edu.au

(03) 9479 2973


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Sensory Sanctuary

JUNE 24 - JULY 6 CASTLEMAINE

70% Autistic and Neurodivergent Hosts
Allies Welcome!

Creative Workshops

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Parent Sessions

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On site Chai Tent, Tea and Coffee



www.sensorysanctuary.net.au

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Early Childhood Outreach



PROPS THEATRE

Drama Skills for ages 5 - 21

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LOCATION
82A Mitchell Street Studio
www.props theatre.com.au
2023 Enrolments OPEN

JUNIOR FOOTY

FUN HOLIDAY PROGRAM

A TWO DAY PROGRAM FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28
THURSDAY, JUNE 29
FRIDAY, JUNE 30
8.30am - 5.00pm
Venue: Fur Life Oval
(Wade Street)




REGISTER ONLINE AT
www.goldensquarefnc.com
GO TO EVENTS TAB AND CLICK JUNE HOLIDAY PROGRAM REGISTRATION LINK

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MID-SEASON ENTRY

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EVERY WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY NIGHTS DURING SCHOOL TERMS



WHATS ON FOR JUNIORS?

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TRAINING - U12 (6:15-7:15PM) U18 (7:30-8:30PM)

FRIDAY NIGHT COMPETITION - 6:45-8:30PM

ENQUIRE TODAY BY PHONING 0499 731 811

BENDIGO VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION



VOLLEYBALL

PRIMARY SCHOOL AGES

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

4:30 - 6:00 PM

RED ENERGY ARENA, COURTS 4, 4A AND 5

2023 DATES

SUNDAY MAY 21ST - COME AND TRY
 SUNDAY MAY 28TH - WEEK 1
 SUNDAY JUNE 4TH - WEEK 2
 SUNDAY JUNE 18TH - WEEK 3
 SUNDAY JULY 16TH - WEEK 4
 SUNDAY JULY 23RD - WEEK 5
 SUNDAY JULY 30TH - WEEK 6
 SUNDAY AUGUST 6TH - WEEK 7
 SUNDAY AUGUST 13TH - WEEK 8
 SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH - WEEK 9
 SUNDAY AUGUST 27TH - FINALS AND PRESENTATIONS

BENDIGO VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION VOLLEYBALL@BENDIGOSTADIUM.COM.AU

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The Thriving Kids and Parents Project

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted children's social and emotional development, resulting in increased levels of anxiety and significant challenges in developing healthy peer relationships. The Commonwealth-funded Thriving Kids and Parents Project offers high-quality, evidence-based parenting programs to support parents and schools in developing a shared language and a toolbox of strategies to support every child's learning and well-being.

The Thriving Kids and Parents Project offers your school 3 **FREE** interactive parenting seminars throughout 2023.

The seminars provide parents with strategies to:

- o Promote children's development and self-regulation.
- o Manage their child's everyday anxiety.
- o Develop healthy peer relationships, build resilience, and prevent bullying.

Your role is to invite families to participate in the **FREE** online parenting seminars and associated research tasks as part of the Thriving Kids and Families Project.

Express your school's interest through the link below to be one of only 100 Victorian schools invited to participate in the Thriving Kids and Parents Project.

https://uqpsych.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6JaeTQhsPp5DSUm



The Thriving Kids and Parents Project – Families and Schools Working Together

Chris Burke
Professor Chris Burke
Lead Researcher
The University of Adelaide

Matthew Sanders
Professor Matthew Sanders
Lead Researcher
The University of Queensland

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A Survey About Long Gully

We want to hear from you.

A group of residents and community groups are developing a "community plan" to communicate people's hopes and dreams for Long Gully.

The development of a community plan for Long Gully has the support of the City of Greater Bendigo.

TAKE THE SURVEY



<https://bit.ly/lgcpsurvey>

Or visit the Long Gully Neighbourhood Centre for a paper copy.

For more information contact

Email: coordinator@lgnc.org.au
Ph. 5442 1165



NETSTARS

NETBALL CLINICS



BENDIGO

DATE: Thursday 6th July 2023
TIME: 9am - 3pm
AGES: 7 - 14 years old
VENUE: Red Energy Arena,
91 Inglis Street, West Bendigo
COST: \$85 per participant



Every participant receives a Netstars T-shirt



Bookings essential and only a limited number of spaces available - book now to avoid missing out

Book Online: www.netstarsnetball.com.au



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CatholicCare VICTORIA

Strengthening families & communities



Bringing Up Great Kids

Bringing Up Great Kids supports parents to learn more about the origins of their own parenting and how it can be more effective. Parents will learn to identify the important messages they want to pass on to their children and how to achieve this, as well as learn about brain development in children and its influence on their thoughts, feelings, and behaviour.

✓ Listen

✓ Understand

✓ Positive Relationships

Program Details:

Location: CatholicCare Victoria
176-178 McCrae St Bendigo

Date: Thursdays 20th July – 24th August 2023

Time: 9:30am – 11:30am (9.15am first session only)

Register: www.catholiccarevic.org.au/register

CatholicCare Victoria

P 03 5438 1300

E Bendigo.reception@catholiccarevic.org.au

www.catholiccarevic.org.au

This program has 6 weekly sessions.

There is no cost for this program.

Early registration
is encouraged.



Circle of Security

Circle of Security Parenting focuses on:

- Understanding your child's emotional world by learning to read emotional needs
- Supporting your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhancing the development of your child's self-esteem
- Honouring the innate wisdom and desire for your child to feel secure

✓ Connection

✓ Attachment

✓ Emotions

Program Details:

Location: Online via Zoom

Date: Tuesdays 18th July – 22nd August 2023

Time: 7:00pm – 9:00pm (6.45pm first week only)

Register: www.catholiccarevic.org.au/register

This free Program has 6 weekly sessions

Enrolment is available to parents and carers
living the Loddon Mallee Region.

Early registration
is encouraged.

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E Bendigo.reception@catholiccarevic.org.au

www.catholiccarevic.org.au

(03) 5438 1300 | 176 – 178 McCrae Street, Bendigo VIC 3550



Tuning in to Kids

Eager to learn how to help your child manage feelings and emotions and develop emotional intelligence?

Children with emotional intelligence have greater success making and keeping friends, are more able to be calm when upset or angry and have better concentration at school.

In this program you will find out how to help your child understand and manage feelings such as frustration, worry and anger through the concepts of emotional intelligence and Emotion Coaching.

✓ Support

✓ Strategies

✓ Understanding

Program Details:

Location: 176 – 178 McCrae St, Bendigo
Date: Monday 17th July – 21st August 2023
Time: 12:30pm – 2:30pm

OR

Location: Online via Zoom
Date: Monday 17th July – 21st August 2023
Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Register:

W <https://www.catholiccarevic.org.au/register>

P 03 5438 1300

E Bendigo.reception@catholiccarevic.org.au

This free program has six weekly sessions.

Early registration is recommended.

Register your interest via the QR code or
contact us.



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California Gully Primary School

Dpt.	Garment	Kids Sizing	Adults Sizing
1	Teal/Ink Navy/White Short Sleeve Polo	\$28.60	\$30.80
2	Teal/Ink Navy/White Long Sleeve Polo	\$32.30	\$34.10
6	Ink Navy Rugby Top	\$35.20	\$36.85
4	Ink Navy 1/2 Zip Polar Fleece Jumper	\$36.30	\$39.60
5	Navy Hooded Windcheater	\$35.20	\$36.85
7	Ink Navy Double Knee Hemmed Track Pants	\$24.20	\$27.50
13	Navy Bucket Hat	\$14.30	
13	Navy Broadbrim Hat	\$12.10	

Our School Uniform supplier, Centavic Clothing, are pleased to now offer an online uniform shop for California Gully Primary School through their website:

<https://www.centavicclothing.com.au/>

Parents can place an order for uniforms, with the option of paying online, over the phone or on the day of collection.

We advise that any students needing to try on uniform items book an appointment as due to COVID-19 capacity limits we will be prioritising those with appointments when needed. This booking system can also be found on our website.

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