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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.





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
- 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.



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.

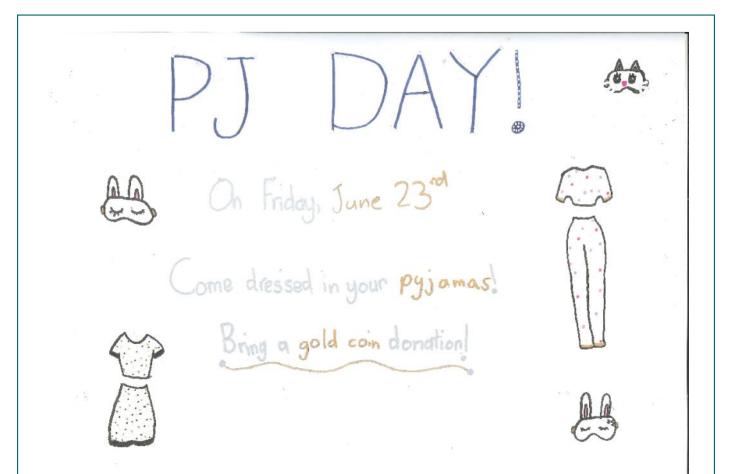
Grade 5/6 Windridge-Lee:

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'.





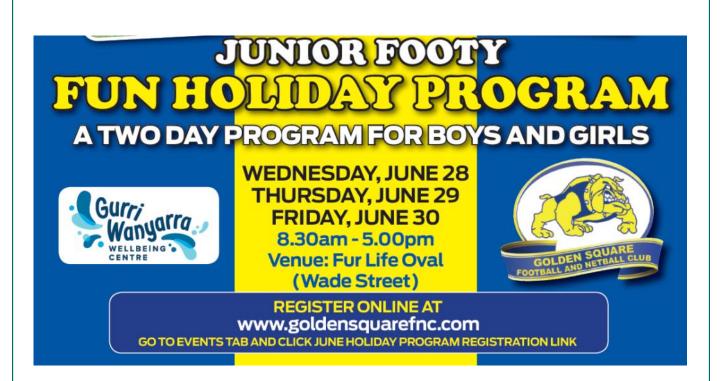












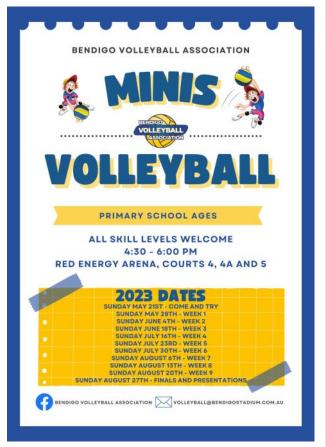






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The Thriving Kids and Parents Project

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.

 - 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.

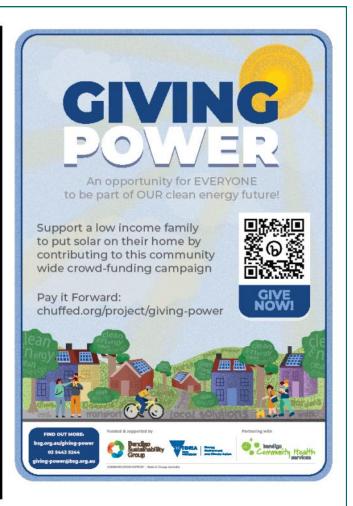
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The Thriving Kids and Parents Project - Families and Schools **Working Together**















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There is no cost for this program

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

03 5438 1300

www.catholiccarevic.org.au

Circle of Security

- 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

Program Details:

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

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www.catholiccarevic.org.au (03) 3438 '300 | 176 - 178 McCrae Street, Bendigo VIC 3530



Tuning in to Kids

Program Details:

Location: 176 – 178 McCrae St, Bendigo Date: Monday 17th July -21tt August 2023 Time: 12.30pm-2.30pm

Location: Online via Zoom Date: Monday 17th July -21th August 2023 Time: 10.00am-12.00pm

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



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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.



