FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ART SHOW - ‘GULLY GALLERY’

Don’t miss out on the opportunity to see a wonderful display of our students’ art work at ‘Gully Gallery’, Thursday 12th June from 4pm-6pm. It is a great way to recognise the terrific activities the students undertake and the artistic flair they all possess. A gold coin donation would be appreciated on entry.

STRATEGIC REVIEW - FEEDBACK

Each school develops a Strategic plan which has a vision and targets to ensure the school has a clear direction for the future (over a four year period). After this time we consult with the community (parents, staff and students) as well as looking closely at our data before developing the next Strategic Plan. We are just starting that process now! I am inviting our parents who can spare the time to help with feedback and future direction. Please come along on Friday 13th June (9.30am) as part of the Parents’ Club meeting to discuss these questions.

1. What does our school do well?
2. What would we like to see our school doing well in 5 – 10 years’ time?
3. What are the things we need to work on in order to build the bridge from questions 1 to question 2?

If you cannot come to the meeting on Friday 13th June but would like to give us some feedback, please complete the form attached to this newsletter and return it by Thursday 12th June.

HOW TO RAISE A READER

Tip 3

Feed the favorite-author addiction: Once your kids find a writer they love, they may want to read all of his or her books - a great excuse for a trip to the library or an opportunity for book swapping among friends and classmates. Here are some good bets for favorites. Younger kids: Dav Pilkey (The Adventures of Captain Underpants), Beverly Cleary (Beezus and Ramona). Middle grade: Kate DiCamillo (Because of Winn-Dixie), Neil Gaiman (The Graveyard Book). Tweens and teens: Judy Blume (Are You There God, It’s Me Margaret) and Sarah Dessen (Just Listen) (Extract from Making Sense ‘How to Raise a Reader’ by Regan McMahon)
PREP ENROLMENTS 2015
If you have a child who will be attending California Gully Primary School in Prep next year, you are most welcome to enrol at any time. Early enrolments assist us to put in place staffing, grade structures and allocate resources for next year. When enrolling your child, you will need to provide with the enrolment form:
1. A copy of the birth certificate (we can make copies of originals if necessary) and
2. A school entry immunisation certificate obtained from The Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) . Phone 1800653809.
Enrolment forms are now available for collection from the office. The 2015 Information Booklet is currently being reviewed but will be available before the end of term.
If you know anyone moving into our area, has a child attending your child’s pre-school or who has a Prep child for next year and has not chosen a school for their child, talk to them about our school and please invite them to contact me for a tour and a conversation.

TWISTED TRIVIA NIGHT
A great night was had by all last Saturday at our School Council run trivia night. The feedback was again terrific and we had 13 teams up on 8 teams from last year so it was a great turn out. The evening itself was very enjoyable with an array of questions presented by our MC, Deanne Pointon. Deanne once again did a great job entertaining the crowd and keeping those who like to argue in check.
Our school councillors as a group did a fantastic job seeking support from the local community with prizes and assisting with the general organisation. In saying this I would like to thank Doris Carroll who did a power of work organising the event and ensuring it was a successful night.
I would like to thank the members of the school community who attended and the family and friends from the broader community, your support makes these nights a huge success. Apart from bringing the school community together which is always positive our goal was to raise money which goes towards improving and adding to the resources available to the students. This year we raised just over $2,600 which is a tremendous effort.

Jason Lee
Principal
Andy Griffiths will be coming to Bendigo
Friday June 13, from 6.00 – 7.00pm.

Goldfields Libraries have secured Andy’s visit as part of the High Road to Reading program sponsored by the State Library of Victoria. The library have decided to locate him in the Bendigo Town Hall in order to give as many children as possible the opportunity to see him.

The library are currently sorting out ticketing arrangements and tickets should be available via their website (www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au) by midweek. There will be no charge for tickets.

The library is also happy to take any enquiries re bookings by phone (54492771) or email: tammyh@ncgrl.vic.gov.au

The event is recommended for children of 7 years and up, although I am sure their parents will also enjoy it.

Annual Twisted Trivia Night

Thank You to the following businesses for supplying items for the Silent Auction:

Fish ’n’ Feathers       SportsCo       Bicknell’s Independent Sports
Manchester & More       Natural Living  Games World
Baker’s Delight         The Body Shop   The Complete Garden
Eyeworks Group          True Brew       Park Lane Holiday Parks
The Borough Club         Paul Morris     BUFS Eden
Roz Bradley             Pamperpatch Beauty Terry Jarvis – Bethany Gallery
PetBarn                 Brian Boru Hotel The Coffee Club
Chef’s Tool Box         Penrite Automotive Hairhouse Warehouse
Heathcote Winery        The Rifle Brigade Hotel Forty Winks
Super Cheap Auto—Kangaroo Flat

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The 2014 Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is underway and it has been great to see such a great start by a number of students. The challenge will conclude on the 12th of September 2014. **Please discuss with your child/children their progress with the challenge and assist in updating their list of books.**

Families with internet access are strongly encouraged to support the school by assisting students to register reading at home with their netbooks. Children have been provided with usernames and passwords to log in. **It is important to enter books regularly so that it does not become a huge task and the end of the checklist. Please only enter books that are finished, not those being started or that are underway.**

Further information on the challenge is available at the Challenge Website: [www.education.vic.gov/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov/prc)

Books from the Premiers’ Reading Challenge are available to borrow from both classrooms and the library. These lists will be verified by teachers at the completion of that challenge.

**Don’t stop** at the end of the checklist, We are looking to reward dedicated Premiers’ Reading Challenge participants with **special certificates** for reaching reading goals after the checklist has been completed. Some examples are on display on the hallway near the office. Awards will be given to readers who achieve the following fantastic reading milestones:

- 25 Books (Grades 3 – 6)
- 50 books
- 75 Books
- 100 Books

Certificates will be awarded at assemblies. Mr Lee and Mrs Ryan will be looking for some special prize winners at the completion of the challenge. Happy reading!

Mrs Ryan and Mr Lee
GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS

TIP 11. ALL KIDS NEED TO PLAY

Play has been called “child’s work” and that’s exactly what it is. Through a variety of games, children learn about the world and about themselves.

When kids grow older, they still need to include play in their lives. In fact, adults need to as well. The whole point of play is that it’s fun. There’s no anxiety about competing with others, and no anxiety about having to “get it right”. Play flows freely, is not structured, and can take many forms, from active ball games to puzzles and word games.

What you can do NOW

- Encourage kids to find ways to amuse themselves other than turning to television or computer games.
- Make sure kids have access to play equipment like swings or a trampoline.
- Go to the local pool for a swim and a splash around.

Good Idea!

Help your kids and their friends build a cubby house, a tree house, a billycart or a kite.

Top Tip

Making things together helps kids to learn problem solving techniques, become more resourceful and increase their communication skills.

~ Try these Healthy Sandwich Fillings ~

- Try chicken, avocado and lettuce or vegemite and cheese.
- Vary meats - include lean ham, chicken, turkey, tuna or salmon (in springwater).
- Add low fat cheeses - they’re a great source of calcium for growing bones.
- Use a variety of vegetables - include grated carrots, zucchini, lettuce, cucumber and sliced tomatoes (pat dry to prevent sandwiches going soggy, and place in between dry fillings).
- Try different spreads such as chutney, cranberry sauce, mayonnaise, avocado, tomato relish, ricotta, cottage or cream cheese.
- Cut healthy sandwiches in fun shapes for variety and to encourage eating
- Peanut butter, alfalfa, grated carrot and sultanas.
- Ham, crushed pineapple and grated cheese (with salsa or tomato spread).
- Left over roast vegetables (with pesto).
- Roll a banana in wholegrain bread and drizzle with honey to make a “banana hot dog”.
- Make a mixture of tuna, mayonnaise, celery, carrot and corn and store in a container as an easy sandwich spread.

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EGGS FOR SALE
Our girls are busy laying lots of eggs, $2.50 a dozen. See Wendy in the grade 3/4 room.

2014 SCHOOL PRODUCTION
This year’s production is “Kids in Space”. If you can be of assistance in anyway please see Wendy.

CAMP PAYMENTS
A deposit of $30.00 was due by the end of term 1 for the Grade 3 to 6 camp to Candlebark Farm. Please pay this a.s.a.p. to secure your place.

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0427 184 537

In the Conference Room (opposite the office) is a small uniform display. The California Gully Primary School Uniform is available from Bendigo Uniforms Plus. They also sell the school’s bucket and wide brim style hats which are required during Terms 1 and 4. Please remember that wearing of the school uniform is compulsory.

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Don’t forget that every Friday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. There are new reward items available during Term 2, plush penguin key ring, plush shark key ring and whale shark pencil case. These are on display in the school office.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at California Gully Primary School.

A.S.C.K

After School Care by Kathryn

2nd June 2016

Hi, my name is Kathryn and I am the A.S.C journalist and I will be writing about A.S.C.

In after school care we have activities like toys, the whiteboard, a TV to watch TV on, Lego, cars, cooking and games, that we mostly what we play on the playground.

Lots of kids like to do lots of different things, for example - Tanith, Tari-ishi and Timaka play with the plush toys. Isabel loves to play with our baby Ben. Jane, Lachlan and Hayden love to play with the Lego.

Cam and Ben like to play on the playground or kicking the football. Last week Mrs Paton got an assistant named Mrs Reading and she reads and plays with the kids. For more information I will be back in next weeks newsletter.

Kathryn Groom

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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 May 30th

Prep/1 Christian:
- Gus B. - For consistently doing his personal best in all subject areas. Keep up the great work!
- Sam H. - For consistently doing his personal best in all subject areas. Keep it up!!

Prep/1 Holt:
- Xavier H. - For being determined and willing to learn.
- Lara T. - For being helpful and always trying her best.

2 Carroll-Peacock:
- Jackson G. - For an excellent effort in using paragraphs in his journal writing. Well done!
- Jade H. - For sensational handwriting when writing her journal. Well done!
- Jake McC. - For a sensational effort in his handwriting. Keep it up!
- Cameron N. - For an excellent effort in using paragraphs in his journal writing. Well done!

3 Watt:
- Jayden B. - For creating fantastic similes during poetry writing.
- Ella S. - For working hard on her spelling and improving her personal best score.

3/4 Ennor:
- Bailey A. - For using adjectives, adverbs and similes to enhance his writing.
- Ayla L. - For using expressive language in her writing.

5/6 McKerrow:
- Thanisha H. - For excellent thinking during reading tasks.
- Connor W. - For clever thinking during math games.

5/6 Windridge-Doolan:
- Braidyn D. - For good strategies for making change and working well in Maths.
- Lachlan F. - For good strategies for making change and working well in Maths.

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Parents’ Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be held tomorrow, Friday June 6th at 9.05 a.m. in the outside school hours care room, we look forward to some of our new Prep families joining us.

Parents’ Club Lunch Orders

If your child misplaces their lunch order form you can go to the school’s website and download a form. Please place correct money in the envelope when sending the orders to school. Children need to place their lunch orders in the pink tub in the office by 9.30 a.m. on Monday. If your child is absent on lunch order day, please let the office know so we can organise a refund. Please note that the Jelly Cups are no longer available and that half size lunches are available on request, cost is $2.00.

Living Fundraisers Orders

Recently the Parents’ Club sent home order sheets for “Living Fundraisers”; these plant kits come in four varieties (vegetable growing kits, Grow-in-the-bag Herbs, Fruit growing kits and Flower growing kits) each kit costs $6.00. Orders and Correct Money are due back by Friday June 13th, the delivery date will be approximately Wednesday June 25th. These kits are a great activity for the upcoming school holidays a, as gifts or for your own home garden. Spare order forms are available from outside the Office.

Contacting the Parents’ Club

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

Parents’ Club Hot Dog & Paddle Pop Day

Orders will go home soon for a Hot Dog & Paddle Pop day to be held Friday June 20th. Orders and correct money will be due Wednesday June 18th. All profits go towards School Camp.

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:

Wednesday June 11th Multi-Purpose Room
Wednesday June 18th Mask Making using glue
Wednesday June 25th "Teddy Bears Picnic" Icing teddy bear biscuits

For information of what events are coming up in playgroup please visit the school website Playgroup page.

Join us on Facebook: www.facebook/calgunlyplaygroup1

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

Are you eligible for public dental care?

All children aged 0-12 years and all Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to access public dental services and are offered the next available appointment. Treatment is free for people who hold a health care card; a minimal co-payment may be required for people who do not have a health care card. Call Bendigo Health public dental service - 5454 7994 or Amy Clark, Loddon Mallee Oral Health Network on 0418 983 190.

Home Visiting Volunteers Needed!

Support, encouragement, laughter, friendship, fun, an extra pair of hands, a listening ear...

...these are some of the things that Home-Start volunteers can provide a young family with.

Do you:
- have two hours to spare each week?
- find the idea of befriending a young family exciting?
- have parenting experience?
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2014 Netball Victoria REGIONAL CLINICS

Join Netball Victoria's coaches to learn some new tips & skills and receive some great giveaways.

ARARAT
Venue: WANGARATTA Sports Stadium
Date: Thursday 3rd July 2014
Time & Age: 10am-12pm / 10-15 years

ST ARNAUD
Venue: St Arnaud Health & Sports Stadium
Date: Friday 28th June 2014
Time & Age: 10am-12pm / 10-15 years

HORSHAM
Venue: Horsham Leisure & Sports Centre
Date: Thursday 3rd July 2014
Time & Age: 3pm-5pm / 10-15 years

BENDIGO
Venue: Bendigo Hockey & Sports Stadium
Date: Friday 4th July 2014
Time & Age: 10am-12pm / 10-15 years
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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 Roger King’s IGA in Eaglehawk for providing the food for the breakfast and their weekly donation of fruit for the Fresh Fruit Friday program in the Junior School.

Parents Don’t Forget
You are more than welcome to join us for Breakfast!

California
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