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Thursday March 7th 2024

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY - MONDAY MARCH 11th

A friendly reminder that this coming Monday March 11th, is the Labour Day public holiday. Enjoy the extra day with family and friends.

NAPLAN

Next week our Grade 3 and 5 students will participate in NAPLAN assessment. This testing will occur Nationwide, and all students in these years will complete tasks on; Language Conventions (Spelling and Grammar), Writing, Reading and Numeracy. Please remember that NAPLAN data provides results for one moment in the school year and is just one aspect of the school's assessment and reporting process. We simply ask that children participate with a positive attitude and best effort. If you require further information please speak with your classroom teacher or Andrew.

2024 EAGLEHAWK DAHLIA AND ARTS FESTIVAL - PARADE PARTICIPTION, SATURDAY MARCH 16th

The Dahlia and Arts Festival is fast approaching, and we are excited to be entering the Gala Parade once again. The Theme this year is 'Mystical Waters'. The parade will travel along High street, starting at 12.30pm.

The 'expression of interest' form needs to be returned to school by **Friday March 8th (Tomorrow)**. We will then provide further information regarding what to wear and have with children on the day.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS AND CURRICULUM DAYS

As Term 1 continues to move along quickly there are public holidays and student free days (Term 2) not far away. Please add the below dates to diaries:

Term 1

Monday March 11th – Labour Day Public Holiday

Thursday March 28th – Last day of Term 1, 2.15pm dismissal on this day.

Friday March 29th – Good Friday

Term 2

Thursday April 25th – ANZAC Day

Friday April 26th – Curriculum Day

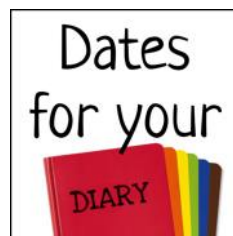
NATIONAL RIDE2 SCHOOL DAY

National Ride2School Day will occur on **Friday March 22nd** and is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active travel. We encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go. It's sure to be a fantastic day and we look forward to seeing you there!

BREAKFAST PROGRAM TO RECOMMENCE

After a COVID and building works enforced break our School Breakfast Program will recommence next Tuesday, March 12th. Breakfast will be served from 8.30 a.m. and children will head to their classrooms at 9.00 a.m. to commence their school day.

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



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Dates for the Diary

- **Monday March 11th** - Labour Day Public Holiday
- **Monday March 18th** - School Council Meeting—Annual General Meeting and General Meeting
- **Friday March 22nd** - National Ride2School Day
- **Friday March 22nd** - Hot Cross Bun Orders Due Back
- **Wednesday March 27th** - Hot Cross Buns to be Collected from School
- **Thursday March 28th** - Last Day of Term One - 2.15 p.m. Dismissal
- **Friday March 29th** - Good Friday
- **Monday April 15th** - First Day of Term Two
- **Friday April 19th** - School Photo Day
- **Thursday April 25th** - ANZAC Day Public Holiday
- **Friday April 26th** - Curriculum Day—No Students Required at School

WELLBEING AND SUPPORT

Welcome back to all existing and new parents to California Gully Primary School for 2024. My name is Kerry Phillips I am the Primary Well Being officer. I will be at school all day on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. I have been moving around the school in the first couple of weeks getting to know the students.

My overall role is to support students, families and the teachers within the school environment and the community. I hope to use my experience and knowledge to help make the school an even happier and safer place to be.

I am available to catch up with students, parents and families on a broad range of matters including friendships, separation, grief and loss. I can be contacted on the school number, 5446 8393. If I am not available leave a message, I'll get back to you.

If you require assistance with school uniform requirements please contact me on the days I am here or leave a message at the school office and Nicole will pass the message on.

Kerry Phillips

Hot Cross Bun Drive

This year we will be offering members of our school community the chance to order Hot Cross Buns supplied to us by the Eaglehawk Hot Bake.

There are two varieties available Traditional and Chocolate. The Traditional Hot Cross Buns come in a six pack for \$8.00 each and the Chocolate Hot Cross Buns come in a 4 pack for \$7.00 each.

Please have your orders and money returned to school by **Friday March 22nd**. Delivery will be Wednesday March 27th.



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To report an absence through the school website you can use this link [Report an Absence](#)





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

Friday March 1st

Foundation Hinton:

- Levi A. - For attempting his learning tasks with a 'can do' attitude.
- Margot La B. - For being an absolute legend during morning drop off.
What a Champ!

Foundation Tonkin:

- Eleanor S. - For working hard at learning the yellow sounds and heart words.
- Tyrone T. - For working hard at learning the yellow sounds and heart words.

Grade 1/2 Leed:

- Oliver B. - For his terrific ideas when completing 'thinking tracks' when reading.
- Letaiah-Jayne M. - For her excellent writing when using the 'description bubble' to describe a toy.

Grade 1/2 Price:

- Jace E. - For having a great attitude towards all tasks.
- Amity H. - For always having a positive attitude towards school.

Grade 2/3 Carroll-Dillon:

- Jaylan B. - For his work during Maths working on measurement.
- Charliy J. - For having a positive attitude in class.

Grade 3/4 Ennor:

- Patrick O. - For being co-operative and focused in classroom activities.
- Logan W. - For being focused and creative in Kath's MMM session.

Grade 3/4 Ryan:

- Alexis F. - For working hard with her persuasive writing.
- Jasper J. - For being a helpful and caring member of the classroom.

Grade 5/6 McKerrow:

- Sophie O. - For her excellent narrative.
- Mayson T. - For excellent work in math lessons.

Grade 5/6 Windridge-Lee:

- Nevaeh A. - For being a helpful and caring class member by volunteering to assist her peers.
- Amber C. - For working hard in all areas of the curriculum.
- Wynter H. - For an excellent job of running the whole school assembly, speaking clearly and with confidence.

CSEF

(Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund)

Applications are open for families who are Health Care Card holders to apply for this funding - forms are available from the school office if you haven't already completed one (please note only one application needs to be completed, all children in your family can be on the same form). When completing your application please bring along your current Health Care Card, this is needed for the application to be accepted. Your health Care Card needed to be valid on January 29th 2024 for you to be eligible.

If you are a Health Care Card holder please do not miss out on this funding.

Application Forms are available from the school office or return the copy that was in the Parent Contribution Booklets in November 2023.





Sacrament Preparation at St Liborius Parish

At St Liborius Catholic Parish, we will soon be continuing our sacrament preparation program for 2023-24. Sacramental preparation covers the sacraments of Reconciliation (Penance), First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Participation in the Sacramental life of the Church is at the heart of our Catholic faith. The preparation and celebration of these first sacraments are joyful occasions for Catholic children to receive the life and strength of Jesus Christ on their faith journey.

The preparation for the sacrament of Reconciliation has concluded in 2023, the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation will take place in the first half of 2024.

To be enrolled, children must be baptised Catholics in Grade 3 or higher. For any children that are not yet baptised please contact St Liborius Parish.

If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office (office@stliboriuseaglehawk.org.au / 5446 8235) or visit our website.

"Buskers in the Borough 2024"



Saturday 16th March, 2024
at the
Dahlia & Arts Festival.

Calling all Buskers to perform on the
sidewalks of Eaglehawk
10am until 11am
Primary & Secondary students only.

Application form
Website: www.eaglehawkfestivals.com.au

Entries close on 13th March, 2024 @ 5pm.
More info....

Mary Preston 0434 769 862.

SunSmart's school tips for families:

1. Create opportunities for your child to apply sunscreen, so they know how to do it independently before and during school.
2. Attach sunscreen to your child's backpack, so it can be an easy reminder to reapply at school.
3. Label your child's hat, so they can easily grab their hat before heading outdoors.
4. Encourage your child to look for shady spaces to play outdoors.

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Benefitting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

Fresh Fruit Program
in local schools

Proudly funded by:



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PARADE COSTUME FITTINGS

**AGED 8 OR OLDER AND WANT TO BE IN
THE EASTER PARADE?**



Pop in with your family and friends and see us at 13
Bridge Street, Bendigo every Tuesday & Thursday from
4pm - 6pm and Saturday & Sunday from 2pm - 5pm until
Easter to register!



Auskick in Eaglehawk begins **Sunday 4th April** at Canterbury Oval
between 9:00am – 10:00am and runs for 10 weeks, including 3 x
Halftime games at Eaglehawk Football Club home games.

The NAB Auskick program makes learning to play AFL fun, safe and easy
for boys and girls. Through weekly coaching sessions children will learn
the skills of the game in an exciting and social environment.

To register, go to www.play.afl/auskick or for more information, go to
our Facebook page “Eaglehawk Auskick”





COME AND TRY

JUNIOR BADMINTON

WHERE: 140 VICTORIA STREET, EAGLEHAWK

AGES: 5-18
FIRST NIGHT IS FREE

SESSION TIMES
WEDNESDAYS
 UNDER 12 TRAINING 6:15-7:15PM
 UNDER 18 TRAINING 7:30-8:30PM
 SCHOOL TERMS ONLY

FRIDAYS
 JUNIOR COMPETITION 6:45-8:30PM
 SCHOOL TERMS ONLY

CALL 0499 731 811 TO ENQUIRE TODAY



REGISTRATIONS OPEN

Play soccer with Epsom Football Club in 2024

Come & join us - learn new skills, meet new people & have fun!

No experience necessary - we offer both boys, girls & mixed teams.

Non-Competitive Juniors
Under 6's, 7's, 8's, 9's & 10's


Competitive Juniors
Under 12's, 14's & 16's

Senior Competitive
Youth, Women, Men's

Junior registrations close 8 March

Late registrations will only be accepted pending team availability

For enquiries contact secretary@epsomfc.com.au
 Visit www.epsomfc.com.au or www.facebook.com/EpsomSoccer



NETFIT AUSTRALIA


APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS

FIND YOUR EVENT

NEW SKILLS NEW DRILLS

- Creative skills & drills
- NETFIT HIT
- Match play
- Healthy habits
- 'Head, Heart & Hand' leadership workshop
- Focus on teamwork & building confidence
- Fresh new clinic theme
- Goodie bags & more

BOOK NOW



FREE BIKE REPAIR WORKSHOP

SESSION 1:
DATE: Thursday 7 March
TIME: 4PM - 5.30PM

SESSION 2:
DATE: Thursday 14 March
TIME: 4PM - 5.30PM

Come along for tips and tricks on bike maintenance with Free Wheeling Fun

AT THE Long Gully Neighbourhood Centre
52 Derwent Drive, Long Gully

Numbers are limited and registrations are required.
Please call 54 421 165



Long Gully Neighbourhood Centre

FREE! ON YOUR BIKE! BIKE BENDIGO

DATE: Saturday 16 March
10am-1pm
Learn how to ride safely on the roads with Bike Bendigo!
An education session for teens & tweens (ages 10+)

Numbers are limited. Register here!
<https://bit.ly/30zSLhj>

12:30pm-1:30pm
Freewheeling Fun demonstrating how to use the BMX track's new bike tools!

PLUS >>>

@ The Long Gully BMX Track
51 Derwent Drive, Long Gully

Community BBQ, toddler's trikes circuit, Tunes, Giveaways

Fill in the Bike Bendigo survey so we know what your bike skills & interests are!
<https://bit.ly/49eJRhA>

Long Gully Neighbourhood Centre

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CAMPS FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITY



Adventure for All!

Introducing ACA – People Outdoors: Camps for People Living with Disability

'Adventure For All'

People Outdoors, a program of the *Australian Camps Association*, was established in 1989 to provide outdoor recreation for people of all ages living with disability. Our programs include two-night weekend through to four-day residential camps held during the school holidays. Our participants are looked after by our team of disability support workers for the duration of camp. So, if you'd like the opportunity to experience the social and developmental benefits of adventure outdoors, please contact our team on 03 9863 6824 or visit our website for more information – www.peopleoutdoors.org.au

NORTH BENDIGO JUNIOR FC

WE ARE TAKING REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2024 SEASON!

All current, returning and new players welcome. Come and register to play in the 2024 season. We are an all inclusive and family orientated club welcoming players of all abilities. Our U9, U10, U12 & U14 age group are still taking registrations.

Contact Jaydene (0417402967) or Gem (0413090881)

come find your awesome

EAGLEHAWK AUSKICK CENTRE

Canterbury Park
Sundays 9am starting 7th April

nab AFL Auskick play.afl/auskick

The link to register to the Auskick Centre is <https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/2a5fc7>.

GIANT tennis

COACHING PROGRAMS

HOT SHOTS 3-12YRS
JUNIORS & ADULTS
GROUPS & PRIVATE LESSONS
HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
CARDIO TENNIS
SQUADS
MATCH PLAY

BENDIGO • MAIDEN GULLY • MARONG • SOUTH BENDIGO

PLAY PARK
5 YRS & UNDER
10-11AM SUNDAY'S
STARTING 18 FEB
REGISTER ONLINE:

GIANT TENNIS PLAY PARK

gianttennis.com.au

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Back to school is a lot. Let's get ready.

*A lot of feelings, a lot of expenses, a lot of stress.

Saver Plus can help.



Saver Plus

Program includes:

- Matched dollar for dollar savings up to \$500
- Money Mindset workshops - Financial Education
- Coaching on budgeting and savings

Eligibility Criteria

- Must be a healthy/concession card holder
- Be in receipt of a Carer's Payment
- Be studying or have a child in school
- Have some regular income from work
- Be 18+ years old

THE EDUCATION STATE

Camps, Sports and Education Fund

Funding to attend activities like:

- school camps or trips
- swimming and school-organised sports programs
- outdoor education programs
- excursions and incursions

\$125 per year for eligible primary school students
\$225 per year for eligible secondary school students.

State Schools' Relief

Provides school uniforms and shoes to those that are unable to afford them.

Eligibility Criteria

Situations include but not limited to:

- Unemployment
- Health issues/stress
- Financial difficulties
- Independent living and/or homelessness
- Natural disasters
- Bereavement
- Domestic and family violence

Computerbank

Low cost refurbished computers that include various programs including word processing, Google Chrome and PDF Maker

Eligibility Criteria

- Concession/Health Care Card holders
- Students
- Asylum seekers



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CLOTHING

2/1 Whip Court, Long Gully

California Gully Primary School

Please Take Note

of New Prices

effective September 1st 2023

	Garment	Kids Sizing	Adults Sizing
	Teal/Ink Navy/White Short Sleeve Polo	\$30.00	\$32.00
	Teal/Ink Navy/White Long Sleeve Polo	\$33.00	\$35.00
	Ink Navy Rugby Top	\$37.50	\$39.50
	Ink Navy 1/2 Zip Polar Fleece Jumper	\$39.50	\$42.00
	Navy Hooded Windcheater	\$38.00	\$40.00
	Ink Navy Double Knee Hemmed Track Pants	\$28.00	\$30.00
	Navy Bucket Hat	\$15.00	
	Navy Broadbrim Hat	\$15.00	

Our School Uniform supplier, Centavic Clothing, are pleased to 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 Centavic Clothing will be prioritising those with appointments when needed. This booking system can also be found on the Centavic Clothing website.

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