

# The Bell Topper

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Thursday November 13<sup>th</sup> 2025

### WATER SAFETY PROGRAM -

Our 'Water Safety Program' has been in full swim this week. It makes for a busy, yet very enjoyable week. It is great to see everyone doing their best, participating with enthusiasm and enjoyment. Thank you to all families for your support each day. Our final day of swimming will be tomorrow. Due to the Swimming Program, we will not hold an assembly this week.

### STATE ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

On behalf of the CGPS Community we pass on our congratulations to Addilyn.W on her amazing performance at the State Athletic Championships held in Melbourne last Thursday. Addi placed 4<sup>th</sup> in Discus, and threw a personal best at this event, well done!

### CALIFORNIA GULY PRIMARY SCHOOL TRANSITION PROGRAM (2026)

We are very excited to welcome our 2026 Foundation students and families for their 2<sup>nd</sup> transition visit in preparation for next year and will include an information session for parents/carers This visit will occur on: Orientation Session 2: Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup>, 9.15 -10.45am

### JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL CASUAL CLOTHES DAY — FRIDAY NOVEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>

JSC have organized a 'Casual Clothes' Day to occur next Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November. No theme, just casual clothes although a reminder that students must still follow SunSmart and footwear guidelines – Tops must cover shoulders, bucket/wide brim hats worn, and footwear must have covered toes. Thanks for your support!

### TERM 4 CURRICULUM DAYS - MONDAY NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> AND FRIDAY DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>

Please make a note in the diary that **Monday November 24<sup>th</sup>** is a Curriculum Day for all staff to support Assessment and Reporting.

On **Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>**, staff will focus on a range of areas including 2026 planning, the CGPS Teaching model.

Please note that students will not attend school on either day.

**Kids Active Travel Program has ended, tell us again how your grades 3-6 child gets to school and what you think about your child walking or riding.**

#### COMPLETE A SHORT ONLINE SURVEY

1. Scan the QR code
2. Read the instructions
3. Answer the questions
4. Submit
5. You can also access the survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CaliforniaGullyParentEnd>



#### ABOUT THE SURVEY

Now that the program has ended, we want to find out what's changed about how your child gets to school and your views on active travel to school. The survey is being run by the Department of Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions, which funds the Kids Active Travel Program. Any information you provide will be confidential. More information is available by scanning the QR code.

**Andrew Frawley**  
**CGPS Principal**

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## Dates for the Diary

- **Monday November 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday November 14<sup>th</sup>.** Swimming Program
- **Monday November 17<sup>th</sup>** - Book Club Issue Eight Orders Due
- **Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup>.** Grades Five & Six BioLAB Excursion
- **Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup>.** Transition Session Two—Foundation 2026
- **Friday November 21<sup>st</sup>** - Casual Clothes Day
- **Monday November 24<sup>th</sup>** - Curriculum Day—No Students Required at School
- **Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup>** - Statewide Transition Day
- **Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>** - Curriculum Day—No Students Required at School
- **Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>** - 2026 Booklist Portal Orders Close

## SCHOOL ARRIVAL TIMES

**Morning Drop-off:** We remind all families that children should not be onsite prior to the 8.40 a.m. bell. At this point staff are on duty and actively supervising. Please respect this request for the safety of all students, staff and families.

**Late Arrival:** If your child is late in arriving at school (any time after 9 a.m.) they must sign in at the office prior to going to the classroom. Thank you for your care and understanding.

## LOST PROPERTY

We have a large number of jumpers in lost property at the moment, unfortunately many items are un-named so makes it very difficult to return to owners. The Lost Property Basket is located outside the community centre to provide an opportunity for children, parents and carers to collect any missing uniform. We also remind families to please name all lunch boxes, drink bottles and clothing worn to school.



**ISSUE 8 CLOSING SOON!**

**\$5 Earn a PROMO CODE**  
Included with order confirmation

**SCHOLASTIC Book Club**  
Stories that travel with you!

**ORDERS DUE BACK BY:**

**DOGS MAN**  
The Dog Man Club Book  
\$14.00

**THE SANTA BEEN?**  
A Christmas story  
\$10.00

**AN DO HOTDOG & FRIENDS**  
A perfectly planned picnic  
\$12.00

**SCHOLASTIC Book Club**

**Year 7 Information Evening**

**Learn about all things Year 7 in 2026**

**6:00PM – 7:00PM**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

**Grieve Community**

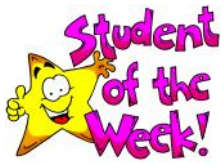
**Free BBQ!**

**From 5:45PM, grab a sausage on your way in!**

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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 November 7<sup>th</sup>

### Foundation A (Hinton):

- Logan B. - For increased confidence when interacting with his peers and teachers.  
Hugo C. - For reading loudly, clearly and experimenting with expression.

### Foundation B (Tonkin):

- Aiyanah B.-B. - For working hard to ensure her writing makes sense.  
Frankee R. - For working hard on learning her sounds.

### Grade 1 (Leed-Martiniello):

- Margo La B. - For always giving her best effort and being engaged in all class tasks.  
Reuel L. - For his thoughtful and creative ideas when writing character descriptions.

### Grade 1/2 A (Carroll-Dillon):

- Elliott E. - For excellent work with adjectives in her descriptive writing. Well Done!  
Shyannah S. - For excellent work with adjectives in her descriptive writing. Well Done!  
Connor W. - For a fantastic week of great choices. Well Done!

### Grade 1/2 B (Ennor):

- Ryder J. - For always giving his best.  
Eleanor S. - For being a kind and caring class member.

### Grade 3/4 A (McKerrow):

- Lachlan B. - For excellent solving of the money problem.  
Casey O. - For excellent progress with multiplication tables.  
Tyson P. - For excellent solving of the money problem.

### Grade 3/4 B (Ryan):

- Sophia M. - For always demonstrating excellent GEM practices to her teacher and peers.  
Callum T. - For including detail in his narrative plan to make his story engaging.

### Grade 5/6 A (Price):

- Hunter F. - For being a helpful, caring classmate.  
Miyah M. - For being a helpful, caring classmate.

### Grade 5/6 B (Windridge-Lee):

- Amber C. - For working well in book clubs.  
Imogen H. - For working well in book clubs.  
Jagger N. - For working well in book clubs.



**Gratitude**  
**Empathy**  
**Mindfulness &**  
**Emotional Literacy**



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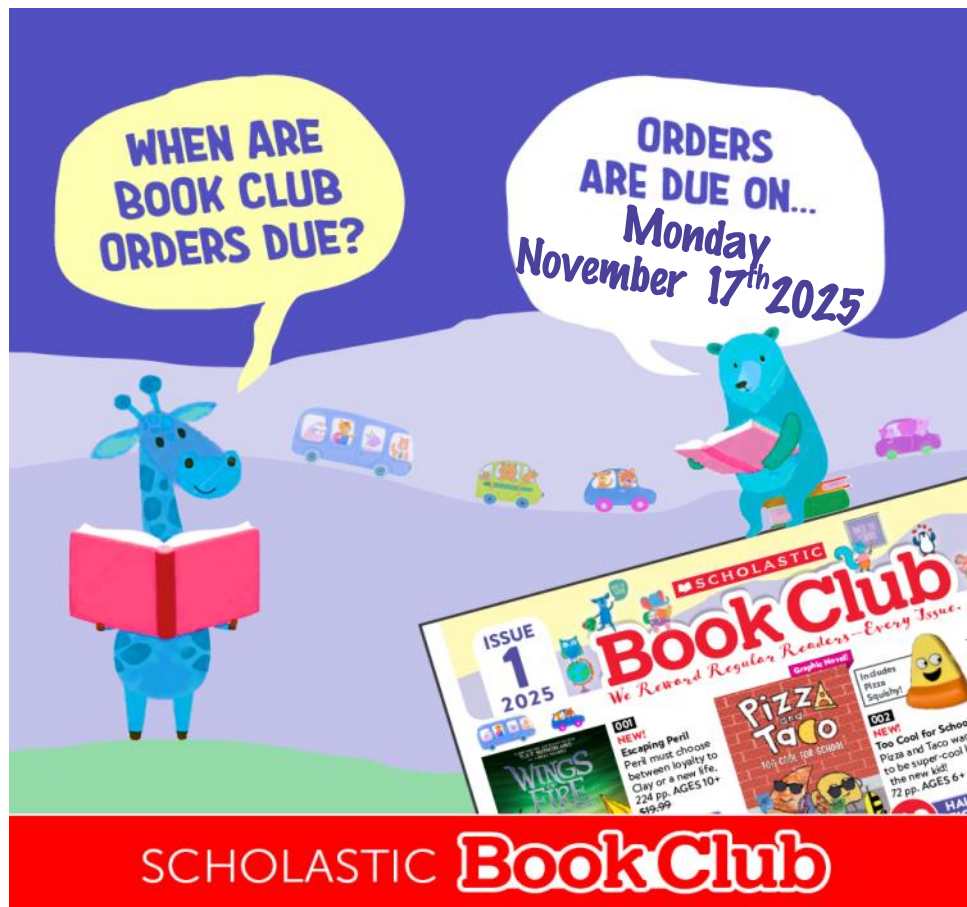
# 2026 Student Booklists

The Student Booklists for 2026 were sent home last Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, with the online ordering system opening on Monday November 10<sup>th</sup>. If your child did not bring home their booklist information please speak to their classroom teacher. Orders are required to be placed on-line with [Education Plus](#) by

**Friday December 12<sup>th</sup> 2025**

Below are the codes for each year level for 2026

<b>Foundation</b>	<b>CGP02026T</b>
<b>Year One</b>	<b>CGP12026V</b>
<b>Year Two</b>	<b>CGP22026R</b>
<b>Year Three</b>	<b>CGP32026G</b>
<b>Year Four</b>	<b>CGP42026Q</b>
<b>Year Five</b>	<b>CGP52026K</b>
<b>Year Six</b>	<b>CGP62026A</b>



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## fresh fruit friday



Celebrating 10 years

Delivering 1,000kg of free fruit to Bendigo school children every week

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Made possible thanks to our Foundation Partners



Bendigo Community Health Services

smalltalk™  
every one has a great start



## Supported playgroup

### California Gully Primary School

A free, fun playground for parents/carers and children to learn together

Fridays  
9.30-11.30am  
Staley Street, California Gully

Morning tea provided  
Enrolments essential

Contact facilitator  
Tiffany Holschier  
0498 642 909  
tiffanyholschier@bchs.com.au

Our smalltalk playgroups run for two hours a week during school terms. Each session focuses on a different parenting strategy to promote children's learning and development.

bchs.com.au



## ELF ACADEMY

### IT'S SNOW JOKE!

ELF ACADEMY IS RETURNING TO BENDIGO  
MORE MAGICAL THAN EVER!

13-21 DECEMBER 2025

THEY'RE CHEEKY, CREATIVE & FULL OF JOY...  
BUT DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT REALLY TAKES TO BE  
ONE OF SANTA'S LITTLE HELPERS?

Through festive crafts, playful games, and elf-tastic challenges recruits will master the skills needed to join Santa's legendary crew, graduating with a Certificate IV in Elf Training!

13-21 December | Beehive Building | \$25 per person | \$100 per family  
All activities included | Santa photography additional



BOOK NOW!

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## Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

saverplus

1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au



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**2/1 Whip Court, Long Gully  
California Gully Primary School**

	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 the size of the storefront Centavic Clothing will be prioritising those with appointments when needed. This booking system can also be found on the Centavic Clothing website.

**Stage School Australia**

**BOOK YOUR  
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2026 TODAY!**

Singing, Dancing & Acting Classes  
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across Melbourne!**

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