

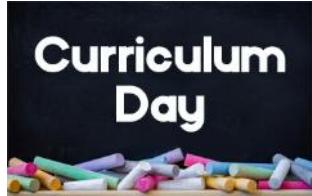
# The Bell Topper

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Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup> 2025



## CURRICULUM DAY REMINDER - MONDAY NOVEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>

A reminder, this coming **Monday November 24<sup>th</sup>** is Curriculum Day. Students will not attend school on this day. All staff will be working towards the completion of assessment and reporting requirements for 2025.

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

JSC have scheduled a 'Casual Clothes' Day to occur tomorrow, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November. No theme, just causal 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!

## TRANSITION PROGRAM—STATEWIDE ORIENTATION DAY

After another successful visit today by our 2026 Foundation students, our next Foundation transition visit will take place on **Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup>**. This is also the State-wide Orientation Day for students moving into Year 7 in government schools. Within CGPS students will move into their classrooms for 2026 during the morning. Information for parents will also be sent home on this day, outlining the Grade structure, classroom placements and allocated teacher.

## WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 10<sup>th</sup> - CALIFORNIA GULLY PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2025

Our CGPS Christmas Concert 2025 is just around the corner, and we can't wait to celebrate the festive season with our school community.

This will be part of a day of celebration – classroom parties, disco, Christmas outfits and finishing off with a small concert. We will provide more information over the coming week. Join us for an afternoon of wonderful performances from 2.20-3.20pm.

## GRADE SIX GRADUATION & CALIFORNIA GULLY PRIMARY SCHOOL CELEBRATION - THURSDAY DECEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>

On Thursday December 11<sup>th</sup>, our Grade 6 students will enjoy the day celebrating their graduation from primary school. The day will include activities in Bendigo, lunch and a ceremony being held at school in the afternoon, beginning at 3.30pm.

## TERM 4 CURRICULUM DAY - FRIDAY DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>

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

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

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



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## Dates for the Diary

- **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
- **Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup>** - School Council Meeting
- **Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Concert
- **Thursday December 11<sup>th</sup>** - Grade Six Graduation
- **Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>** - Curriculum Day—No Students Required at School
- **Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>** - 2026 Booklist Portal Orders Close
- **Friday December 19<sup>th</sup>** - Last Day of 2025 School Year

## 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.



## 2026 Student Booklists

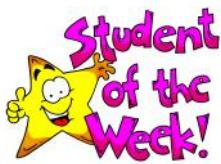
The Student Booklists for 2026 were sent home on Friday November 7<sup>th</sup>, the online ordering system opened on Monday November 10<sup>th</sup>. If your child did not bring home their booklist information please speak to their classroom teacher. Orders are required to be placed on-line with [Education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





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

**Friday November 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Foundation A (Hinton):**

Hugo C. - For giving all activities a go at swimming and even driving his car through the 'car wash'.

Allira C. - For showing increasing confidence in the pool at swimming.

**Foundation B (Tonkin):**

Grayson K. - For showing confidence and perseverance during our water safety program.

Kinsley T. - For showing confidence and perseverance during our water safety program.

**Grade 1 (Leed-Martiniello):**

Levi A. - For his positive attitude at swimming and willingness to give everything a go.

Austen L. - For his positive attitude at swimming and willingness to give everything a go.

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

Ryker G. - For being a kind and helpful class member.

Adeline W. - For being a kind and helpful class member.

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

Willow L. - For excellent work in all subjects.

Jenika S. - For excellent work all week.

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

Flynn H. - For his great attitude at swimming all week.

Jaidah S. - For her great attitude at swimming all week.

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

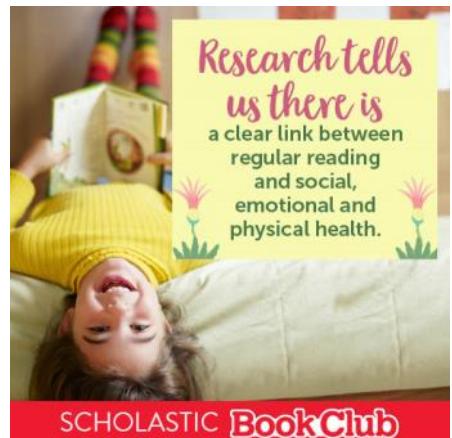
Alyrah C. - For putting in extra effort to catch up with her book club book at home.

Zane L. - For working well in book club.

## **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.



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Tiffany Holschier  
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tiffanyholschier@bchs.com.au

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SIMPSONS ROAD, EAGLEHAWK

Alcohol, smoke and vape free event

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## Grade 6 Orientation Day

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December

9:00AM - 3:10PM

8:50AM Students will meet in the Gym.

### What to Bring?

Pencil Case, Workbook,  
Water Bottle, Hat.

### What to Wear?

Current Primary School  
PE Uniform.



Free BBQ Lunch  
Other snacks will be  
required for second break.

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## 2025 World Festival of Magic

The World Festival of Magic features world-class acts performing astonishing illusions, interactive magic, and comedy. Providing relaxed theatre performances for children, young adults and families in the Greater Bendigo Region.

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One hour shows. Suitable for all ages and accessible for people...

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- who might require a more flexible and inclusive environment when attending the theatre (sensory-friendly).

- who are facing hardship.

- are without access or opportunity to live theatre.

\*Featuring moving and flashing lights, and upbeat, sometimes dramatic music.

Scan the QR Code to  
visit the shows  
website and watch  
highlights from  
previous shows...



**ALL TICKETS ARE COMPLIMENTARY**, including parent, sibling and carer tickets. Thanks to sponsorship from local businesses.

\*Bookings from schools, organisations, carers and families are all welcome.

### RED ENERGY ARENA BENDIGO STADIUM

91 Inglis Street, West Bendigo, VIC

SHOW DATE	SHOWTIME
TUESDAY 25 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025	11.00 AM

To book tickets, please email your name and ticket numbers to...

[meredithnewman@showintent.com.au](mailto:meredithnewman@showintent.com.au)

or call / text 0404-367-782

SESSION TIMES

**WEDNESDAYS**

SESSION 1: 7-10YRS 6:10PM TO 7:00PM  
SESSION 2: 11-14YRS 7:10PM TO 8:00PM  
SESSION 3: 15-18YRS 8:10PM TO 9:00PM  
SCHOOL TERMS ONLY

**FRIDAYS**

JUNIOR COMPETITION 6:45-8:30PM  
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AGES: 7-18

FIRST TWO NIGHTS ARE FREE

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**Mindfulness &**  
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CLOTHING

**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.

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Have lots  
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