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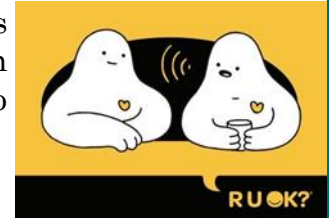
Thursday September 11th 2025

TERM THREE CONCLUSION

A friendly reminder next Friday 19th September is the last day of Term 3. Don't forget that our school day will conclude at **2.15pm**.

R U OK? DAY - THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 11th - (TODAY)

R U OK? Day is an annual national day of action encourages Australians to have meaningful conversations about mental health and wellbeing and to check in with friends, family, and colleagues who may be struggling with life's challenges.



BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to students in Grade 5&6 that represented CGPS in the Division Basketball Tournament held last Friday at Red Energy Arena. Although some of the games were against very good opponents, students were able to keep positive, develop as a team and have lots of fun along the way. Thank you to Kerryn and Corinna for coaching, and parents that were able to show their support over the day.

FOUNDATION - AQUARIUM VISIT (SEPTEMBER 9th)

As was the case last week for our 1/2's, our Foundation students had an amazing experience traveling to Melbourne by train and enjoying a visit to Melbourne (Sea Life) Aquarium.. A huge 'well done' to all students that attended and demonstrated great listening skills, respect and had lots of fun.

REMINDERS:

• THE 2025 PARENT, CAREGIVER AND GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

This survey will be available to complete online from Monday August 18th to Friday September 19th 2025. It would be great if we could have a larger number of families complete this by next Friday.

• SUNSMART - HATS

It is extremely important to have hats available at school. CGPS support the use of sun protection measures when the **UV index levels are 3 or higher**. In Term 4 the 'No Hat No Play' policy will be always followed.



• ASTHMA & ALLERGIES

If children need medication for Hay Fever and/or allergies through the school day please bring it to the school office, clearly named with pharmacy label attached. Make sure that the medication is in date. Inform the school office if your child has been medicated before school on any particular day. If your child is asthmatic please provide an up-to-date asthma plan, medication available at school and, if appropriate, a spacer.

Andrew Frawley
CGPS Principal

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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.

Dates for the Diary

- **Friday September 12th** - Grades Five & Six 'Passions & Pathways' Session Three
- **Tuesday September 16th** - School Council Meeting
- **Friday September 19th** - Footy Colours Day—wear your favourite sports team colours!
- **Friday September 19th** - Last Day of Term Three 2.15 p.m. Dismissal
- **Monday October 6th** - First Day of Term Three
- **Thursday October 23rd** - Mango Orders Due Back
- **Wednesday October 29th** - Bendigo Cup Day Public Holiday
- **Monday November 10th to Friday November 14th** - Swimming Program
- **Thursday November 20th** - Grades Five & Six BioLAB Excursion
- **Tuesday December 9th** - Statewide Transition Day

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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.



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



Supported playgroup

California Gully Primary School

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

Fridays 9.30-11.50am
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

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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 September 5th

Foundation A (Hinton):

Hunter M. - For confidently starting and completing all learning tasks quickly.

Wyatt T. - For working well in class and helping his peers.

Foundation B (Tonkin):

Jaxen B. - For using his help card more frequently.

Kinsley T. - For consistently having neat and tidy work.

Grade 1 (Leed-Martiniello):

Ryan H. - For his resilience at the aquarium and his happy, enthusiastic attitude during our excursion.

Harmony P. - For being a responsible, enthusiastic and curious learner during our aquarium excursion.

Grade 1/2 A (Carroll-Dillon):

Jaylin C. - For consistent effort during minilt sessions. Well Done!

Annalise M. - For successfully completing minilit. Well Done!

Grade 1/2 B (Ennor):

Caitlin B. - For being a wonderful, caring partner on our aquarium excursion.

Eli B. - For working really hard in reinforced reading with Miss Reilly.

Grade 3/4 A (McKerrow):

Oliver B. - For asking great questions on our excursions.

Violet F. - For excellent work on resolve math's.

Grade 3/4 B (Ryan):

Kirianii B. - For her hard work making arrays.

Lilliaa M. - For her excellent letter writing and the care taken to make her handwriting neat and well presented.

Tommy R. - For being a kind and generous friend.

Grade 5/6 A (Price):

Poppy D. - For her positive attitude to our passions and pathways gardening project.

Brooklyn F. - For great rocket writing.

Erika K. - For developing great strategies to solve multiplication facts.

Grade 5/6 B (Windridge-Lee):

Braxtyn B. - For working well in Maths on area and perimeter problem solving.

Bryce M. - For working hard on his research for his country project.

Elaina W. - For working well in Maths on area and perimeter problem solving.



Gratitude
 Empathy
 Mindfulness &
 Emotional Literacy



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Order forms were sent home with children
on Tuesday September 9th.



Fresh North Queensland Mangoes

Direct from the farm to you!

Support Our Mango Fundraiser

If you *love mangoes*, here's your chance to indulge in fresh juicy Kensington Pride mangoes and support our fundraising drive.

California Gully Primary School is selling trays of mangoes picked and packed during the premium harvest.

Cost per Tray is: **\$28.00** (14 to 23 Mangoes per tray dependent on size)

Place your order by: **Thursday October 23rd 2025**

For Further information contact:

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**AFL GRAND FINAL WEEK
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS**
Celebrate the lead up to the
AFL Grand Final with us!

BENDIGO - MIXED

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	REGISTER
TUESDAY 23 RD SEPTEMBER	9AM-3PM	STRATHFIELDSAYE RECREATION RESERVE, TANNERY LANE	

BENDIGO - ALL GIRLS

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	REGISTER
TUESDAY 30 TH SEPTEMBER	9AM-3PM	WEEROONA OVAL, BENDIGO	

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Auskick (ages 4-7) - learning AFL skills through fun activities
- Superkick (aged 8-12) - put your AFL skills into practice with modified match play
- Dancing, AFL trivia, competitions and FUN!
- \$55 per person which includes a football

**YOUTH
SOCIAL
GROUP**

LEGO **START**

**TUESDAYS &
WEDNESDAYS**
3:30PM - 6:00PM
Social Youth group.
Activities include, Sports Days,
Video Games, Arts n Crafts, Lego,
Cooking and much more!!

146a Midland Highway,
Epsom, 3551
Contact Admin: 0493 896 687
admin@sportzrulz.com.au



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MULTISPORT
School Holiday Camp

22 & 23 SEPTEMBER 2025
9:30AM - 3:00PM
5 - 15 years old

Try out basketball, netball, volleyball + more
with Bendigo's biggest athletes

REGISTER HERE



BENDIGO Braves **BENDIGO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION**

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

DATE: 29 - 30 SEPTEMBER 2025
TIME: 10:00AM - 3:00PM
COST: \$80 (1DAY) \$150 (2 DAYS)



REGISTER HERE

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Bendigo Spirit's Membership Promo — Kids Go Free for children aged 5–14!

There are also significant savings across other membership options:

- Adult Full-Season Memberships: Starting from \$108
- Concessions (including students aged 14–18): From \$90

This means a family can attend all **9 home games** at **Red Energy Arena** for \$216 total — that's just \$24 per game. All members, including Free Child Members, will receive a membership pack.

LA TROBE SPORT HOLIDAY CAMPS

LA TROBE SPORTS CAMPS (AGES 6+)

MULTI-DAY PACKAGES AVAILABLE! REGISTER FOR THE SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TODAY!

[Secure Your Tickets Now!](#)



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THE ULTIMATE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



ROCKETEERS
Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

**BOOKINGS
NOW OPEN**

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT ROCKETEERS

Take the stress out of the school holidays with Rocketeers. Featuring over 200 wonderfully unique experiences that will ensure your child's school break is extraordinary!

From our LEGO® Gaming Builds event, featuring LEGO® Minecraft® and LEGO® Sonic® experiences, to DIY Decorated Kicks at Big Art Day – and everything in between!



DID YOU KNOW?

You don't have to attend the school where we operate to use our awesome holiday programs. Simply book into any of our convenient locations.



**Build
Friendships**



**Discover
Adventure**



**Create
Memories**



**Have lots
of fun!**

**BOOK INTO SCHOOL
HOLIDAY FUN NOW!**

SAVE BIG THIS SPRING!

Child Care Subsidy
available for
eligible families.

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