**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**e-Smart CYBERSAFETY**

California Gully PS has registered to become an e-Smart school. Becoming an e-Smart school involves the planning, implementation and evaluation of a range of strategies to promote the positive use of information and communications technology and mitigate against the risks.

e-Smart schools are strategically organised to deliver smart, safe and responsible technology and wellbeing outcomes for all members of their communities. A strong set of values are used to guide behaviour, and are applied to the respectful, smart, safe and responsible use of technologies.

Whole-school policies and procedures are collaboratively developed by all members of the school community. They provide guidance for staff, students, parents and others about what constitutes a safe, respectful and caring environment where technologies are used smartly, safely and responsibly for learning and communicating.

**PLANNING FOR 2013**

So far we have 18 prep enrolments for next year. Prep teachers are now visiting pre-schools to get to know the children enrolled at our school for 2013. If you have not yet completed your enrolment form we ask that it be returned to the school office as soon as possible so that your child can be visited.

**PASS PROGRAM (PASS: Partners Achieving School Success)**

John Krakowiak from the Smith Family is offering an 8 week program to Grade 6 students who would benefit from developing greater study skills. It aims to involve parents too and has returned excellent results in other trial areas.

Rationale:

The rationale behind the PASS program is to provide students with useful skills and techniques to manage their homework tasks, by developing the student’s ability and enthusiasm for both individual and group study tasks, by providing tools to improve organisational and time management skills. This program is aimed at students transitioning from primary school to secondary school. Parents are also encouraged to participate in as many sessions as they are able to attend. This will enhance parents’ understanding of what their child is learning, and support their child in developing their newfound study skills.

The program will aim to start Week 7, Wednesday August 29th. It will be held in the Eaglehawk Secondary College Library to help further familiarise your students to the College environment. It will start from 5pm – 6pm to allow parents to attend too. If you are interested in the program please speak to Mr. Lee for further details.
LITERACY AND NUMERACY ACTIVITIES

Literacy and Numeracy Week occurs from Monday 27th August. The teachers have planned school wide activities during the week highlighting the importance we place on literacy and numeracy development in each and every student plus reinforcing the fun you can have reading, writing, problem-solving and working on various math activities.

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECT

I have postponed the international research project survey which was to occur last Friday due to the lack of permission forms sent back to school. Researchers from the Community Planning and Development Program at La Trobe University, and the Centre for Urban Studies at Aalto University in Helsinki, Finland are doing a study about children’s views about their outdoor environments. The opportunity to be involved in the project gives the children a voice and an opinion about their local area. The views of our students about the City of Greater Bendigo will be compared with the views of Finnish and Japanese young people about their cities.

For families who have not returned the original permission form, the University has forwarded an “opt out” permission form which all families should now have. If for some reason you do not want your child involved in the survey please contact Julie using the details provided on the new permission form.

CHRIS KENNETT - BOOK LAUNCH

Chris Kennett the local author and illustrator who worked with all of the children in Term 1 has asked me to invite any children from our school to the official launch of his new book, ‘Rudy Toot’. See all of the details on the right.

Jason Lee
Principal

School Calendar

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SCHOOL WALK-A-THON
This year our school walk-a-thon will be held on Friday September 7th at Lake Neanger. Our Parents’ Club will be providing a B.B.Q. lunch while we walk around the lake. Sponsorship forms will go home next week. The children can win great prizes while raising vital funds for our school.

HEALTHY LIVING

EASY WEEKEND LUNCH IDEA
ENGLISH MUFFIN PIZZAS!

Ingredients (per muffin):
- 1 English wholemeal muffin each, cut in half
- 1 tablespoon of tomato paste
- 1/4 cup low-fat cheese
- 1/4 cup sliced pineapple (canned or fresh)
- 2 slices of shaved lean ham
- Handful of each: mushrooms, spinach, tomato, olives, capsicum

Method:
Put pre-sliced English muffins face up on a baking tray. Place the cookie sheet and bowls containing the other ingredients on the table where the kids can easily reach them.

Show the kids how to spoon some tomato paste onto the muffin and how to add the other ingredients. Then let them have fun making several mini pizzas. They might like to make “funny faces” with the ingredients.

When they are done, put the baking tray in an oven preheated to 180°C degrees or under the grill under the cheese turns golden brown.

Free Kids Good Health Recipe Book
It is important to teach children about nutrition so they can establish healthy eating habits. Dairy Australia has a free Kids Good Health Recipe Book full of easy, tasty and healthy recipes. Most importantly all of these recipes contain calcium rich dairy foods which will help kids achieve their 3 recommended serves of dairy every day! Check out the recipe book at http://www.dairyaustralia.com.au/kidsneed3

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PARENTS CLUB NEWS

Parents’ Club Meeting
The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be Friday September 14th, after assembly in the school conference room - opposite the office. All are welcome to attend.

Fathers’ Day Stall
The Fathers’ Day stall is fast approaching and Parents’ Club are seeking your assistance. They would love donations of gifts (or a gold coin to go towards the purchase of gifts). These can be left in the school office. The Fathers’ Day stall will be held on Friday August 31st.

Fathers’ Day Raffle
Books of raffle tickets for the Fathers’ Day Raffle have been sent home this week. Please have sold and unsold tickets along with correct money returned to school by Thursday August 30th. The raffle will be drawn at assembly on Friday August 31st.

PLAYGROUP
Tuesdays and Thursdays
10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
in the Outside School Hours Care room.
The next Playgroup sessions will be Tuesday August 14th and Thursday August 16th.
Please bring along a healthy snack and drink.
All Welcome!
We always try to encourage the healthy eating and SunSmart messages that are taught to our students at school, to provide a great foundation for our future students.

Join us on Facebook:
www.facebook/calgullyplaygroup1

Vision care for children is highly important and the detection of eyesight problems at an early age is imperative. An eye test before starting school and at two year intervals following this are recommended (unless requested otherwise from an optometrist).
SpecSavers Kangaroo Flat are offering all students who attend California Gully Primary School and visit them on any Tuesday until September 30th 2012, a 30% bulk discount on 1 complete pair for glasses from their two pair deal along with eye tests being bulk billed. Their usual offer of 1 complete pair for $39 or $99 is still effective.

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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 August 3rd**

**Prep/1 Christian:** Caleb C. - For great problem solving during Maths games.
Ryan H. - For always putting in 100% during class.

**Prep/1 Peacock:** Zander C. - For being a helpful and considerate class member. Thank you!
Keeley G. - For always being attentive and putting in his best effort.

**2 Carroll-Hinton:**
Terri-Anne C. - For completing the Premiers' Reading Challenge. Well Done!
Jai G. - For completing the Premiers' Reading Challenge. Well Done!
Shameka R. - For completing the Premiers' Reading Challenge. Top effort!
Phoebe S. - For completing the Premiers' Reading Challenge. Well Done!

**3/4 Hartney:**
Nicholas C. - For great work with division.
Braidyn D. - For working really well with division.

**3/4 Tanner:**
Michael M. - For his great strategies during Multiple Brackets.
Ruby M. - For setting a good example during reading groups this week.

**5/6 Ennor:**
James C. - For writing a powerful narrative.
Rub P. - For writing a powerful narrative.

**5/6 Windridge:**
Hayley B. - For reading at home and maintaining her reading diary.
Caleb M. - For being a friendly and helpful class member.

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NIT WIZ head lice salon, 942 Wellington Way Strathfield-saye, across from IGA complex, opening this week All natural products! Call Nicole on 0418352550 for information and bookings.

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Round 20 saw Greater Western Sydney have a very significant 34 point win over Port Adelaide, there is no doubt that this result surprised a lot of people! The largest winning margin was the 65 point defeat by the 9th placed Fremantle of the 9th placed West Coast. Richmond also had a surprising 48 point win over Brisbane. The narrowest win went to Geelong who delivered a two point loss to Hawthorn on the final siren, considering the lead Geelong had at the end of the first quarter, I believe Hawthorn played really well to only lose by those two points.

The highest number of wins tipped was 8 during Round 19, well done to Grant F. for being the only tipster to tip 8 winners. Mitchell G., Patrick B, Kassie P. and Mason F. weren’t far behind they each tipped 7 winners. Jeanette T. retains the top position on the leaders board by just 3 points, Murray T. and Craig G. are going to make the final 4 rounds of the season interesting. At the other end of the board, Ella S. retains the “top” of the “Alternative Leaders Board”. The lowest tipsters for Round 19 was once again Susan C., who only tipped 2 winners, not achieving much better was Gen O’S., Paul E., Brady E., Levi E. and Jakoby A. who all only tipped 3 winners.

Good luck to all our tipsters for Round 20.

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**CELEBRITY TIPSTER ROUND 20** - Natasha F.

**West Coast** will want to fight back from their loss during Round 19 at the expense of Geelong.

**St. Kilda** will have an easy win over Melbourne.

Fremantle will play a good strong game but will not be strong enough to beat Adelaide.

Gold Coast will try hard, but won’t win as last weeks 34 point win has put Greater Western Sydney in the right “head space”.

**Sydney** will play a lacklustre game and will be beaten by Collingwood.

**Carlton** will surprise even themselves when they win against Brisbane.

Port Adelaide were defeated by Greater Western Sydney, so what hope do they have against Hawthorn at their alternate home ground Aurora?

On paper they are the stronger team, Richmond will beat Western Bulldogs.

**North Melbourne** played a good game last week and won by 54 points, Essendon lost by 4 points, their confidence is waning.
Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

**THE BELL TOPPER**

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

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Coles Sports for Schools is Back! We are once again participating in the Coles Sports for Schools program. If you shop at Coles please collect the vouchers at the check-out and hand to Miss Ennor in the Grade 5/6 room. If your neighbours, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, grandparents or anyone else shops at Coles get them to collect the vouchers also. **Vouchers are available at Coles, Coles Online, BI-LO or Pick ‘n’ Pay stores and will be available from June 13th until August 14th.**

As the official supermarket of the Australian Olympic team for the 2012 Olympic Games, Coles are celebrating by giving you double vouchers until the 14th August. Which means you get **2 vouchers for every $10 you spend** at any Coles, Bi-Lo or Pick ‘n’ Pay stores or at Coles Online. So double the amount of sporting equipment you can earn in the next week!

Also keep an eye out for bonus products throughout the store to get even more vouchers for your school! **So c’mon California Gully Primary School, get behind your school and collect extra vouchers!**

So far we have collected over 7880 Coles Sports for Schools vouchers, these vouchers will help us to choose some great new sporting equipment at the end of the collection period. **Can you help?**

Wendy needs your assistance to collate the vouchers, if you can assist please let her know as soon as possible.

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It’s back and easier than ever to participate and get valuable resources for our school! Thanks for participating in this year’s Woolworths Earn & Learn Program! With the program due to end on the 12th of August there’s only a few more days to collect Earn & Learn Stickers for our School.

You can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points until **August 12th 2012**. For every $10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school Woolworths collection box situated in the school office. If you would like more sticker cards please just ask at the office. **We need completed sticker cards sent to the school office by no later than Friday August 17th.**

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 7,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more! We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.

**So far we have earned 11,400 Woolworths Earn and Learn points, these points will help us to choose some fantastic educational resources. Last year we only earned 3720 points, so we have more than tripled last years points.**

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The school is registered for the Paul’s “Collect-a-Cap” program. Please keep collecting from friends, family and neighbours the specially marked caps from Paul’s milk bottles. **Washed Paul’s “Collect-a-Caps“ can be handed into the office.**

We recently sent a total of 2613 caps to Paul’s and they have kindly given us another $261.30.

**We have raised $780.10 since September 2011 with this fantastic program, keep those caps coming in!!!**

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
The Bendigo Library is about to begin a new chapter of its life with a major refurbishment. To enable these works to happen, services will be unavailable at Bendigo Library for three weeks from August 27. From Monday, September 17, services will commence at our temporary library at 96-98 Pall Mall Bendigo (former Bendigo Advertiser site) until building works are completed in early 2014. Library services will continue as usual at Kangaroo Flat, Eaglehawk and Castlemaine during this time. For more information phone: 5449 2700 or visit www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au