Every Tuesday and Wednesday 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
Playgroup

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SAUSAGE SIZZLE POSTPONED

Due to circumstances beyond our control the Sausage Sizzle that was scheduled for Saturday, May 18th, has been postponed. We will let all members of the school community know when this event has been re-scheduled.

Twisted Trivia Night

On Saturday June 1st the school will be conducting a Twisted Trivia Night in the Early Years Learning Centre (new building). This evening of fun, games and trivia will begin at 6.30 p.m.
A flyer has been sent home with children this week. The teachers are organising their own table, so come along and see if you can outsmart your child’s teacher!

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

REPORTING TO PARENTS - 3 Way Conference

A curriculum day will be held on Thursday 27th June to allow the school to run its Reporting to Parents Day. This is a student free day however it is expected that all students will attend the meeting with their parents or carers. With students attending the meeting we believe it allows for immediate feedback on their progress and will provide all parties with a clear understanding of future goals and where extra support in cases may be required.

CYBERSAFETY POLICY

As part of our schools goal of becoming an ‘e-smart’ school we have updated our Cybersafety Policy. This policy details the purpose of the policy, the guidelines we adhere to and how we intend to implement it across the school community. Please refer to the school website to access the cybersafety policy.
EDUCATION WEEK
Education Week is from Monday, 20th to Friday, 24th May. To celebrate and acknowledge the work of the students and staff the following activities will be taking place.

**Wednesday 22nd May** – Open morning- 9.15 – 11.00am. This is an opportunity for parents, grandparents and friends to visit their child’s class. It is also a great time for new parents to see our school in action.

11.00am. **National Simultaneous Storytime**. This is an important annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. Now in its 13th successful year it is a colourful, vibrant and fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy

**Friday 24th May** – 9.30 -11.00am School tours conducted by our Junior School Councillors. There are many exciting new initiatives and programs being organised and run by both the staff and students so if you know of any prospective families please invite them along to visit our great school.

Mr. Lee will be at a leadership forum on this day but is happy to meet with prospective families any time before or after Education Week.

PREP INFORMATION EVENING TIME & DATE
A prep information evening for prospective parents and carers will be held on Wednesday 12th June from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. The aim of the meeting to inform parents of our Prep program, our transition program and the resources we have at our disposal to make the move into primary school a successful and enjoyable experience.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM
It was great to see new faces at our breakfast program last Friday morning. This also included a number of parents so thank you for making our breakfast program a true school community event. The boys from the Eaglehawk Football Club continue to work their magic in the kitchen so again we thank you for your support.

NATIONAL WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY
Next Friday 24th of May is National Walk Safely to School Day. I would like to encourage as many families and children as possible to walk to school on this day. The annual event focuses on healthy lifestyles and importantly teaching children about road safety.

Jason Lee
Principal

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

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**HEALTHY LIVING**

**GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS**

**TIP 21. FOOT POWER WORKS**

Feet were made for walking, and for jumping, skipping, dancing and climbing. They are the body’s own “wheels with a difference”.

Encourage your kids to use their feet to get to places. Whether they are walking, skateboarding or cycling, they are using their feet as active transport.

Even using public transport involves more physical activity than being driven everywhere. Find out how to get places by bus or train rather than driving. It will help your kids become more confident about traveling and more adventurous.

**Good Idea!**

Have ‘no car days’, when everyone travels by foot, bike, bus or train. It’s good for your health, and good for the environment too.

**What you can do NOW**

- Take your kids for walks and play games spotting birds and trees, things that you only see if you are walking and not rushing by in a car.
- Go skipping around the block together rather than walking.

**Top Tip**

Make sure that your child’s shoes are comfortable and the right size.

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**“Beanz Meanz” … More Beans Please!**

This “Beanz Meanz” vegetarian recipe is a great way to encourage kids to eat beans. It is packed full of fibre and high in protein (from kidney beans) as well loads of vegetables to ensure kids are meeting their daily nutrient requirements - for this reason beans are often called a vegetarian “meat”.

**Ingredients**

- 2 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 onion, peeled and chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled and minced
- 1/2 cup chopped carrot
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1/2 cup chopped red capsicum
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin & chilli powder
- 800g (1 can) chopped tomatoes
- 800g (2 cans) red kidney beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 cup frozen corn kernels

**Method**

- Heat oil in large saucepan. Add cumin and chilli and stir until they become fragrant.
- Cook onion until translucent then add garlic.
- Add carrot, celery and red capsicum and cook until they soften slightly.
- Add tomatoes with juice and stir in with vegetables. Bring mixture to boil then reduce heat and allow to simmer for 15 to 20 minutes.
- Beans and corn can now be added to chilli mixture and stir to combine.
- Serve 1/2 cup of chilli on top of wholegrain toast, brown rice or noodles. Alternatively serve 1 cup by itself and top with shredded cheese and chopped chives.

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**Community Breakfast Program**

Thanks to Empowering Eaglehawk, The Eaglehawk Football Club and the Peter Krenz Leisure Centre/YMCA we commenced our community breakfast program for all families and staff of California Gully on Friday April 26th. The community breakfast program will continue tomorrow, Friday May 17th at 8 a.m. We would love to see all students attend. If you require any further information please contact Kerryn or Nicole.

We would also like to acknowledge the assistance of Roger King’s IGA in Eaglehawk for providing the food for the breakfast and their weekly donation of fruit for the Fresh Fruit Friday program in the Junior School.
Congratulations to the following students on being named Student of The Week for their positive attitude to school and social values.

**Friday May 10th**

**Prep Peacock:**  
Oscar G. - For careful, neat recording with his number line work.  
Ashlee M. - For being a friendly, co-operative class member.

**1/2 Christian:**  
Ella L. - For taking great care when creating her Mothers’ Day gift.  
Evelynn T. - For fantastic bookwork!

**3/4 Ennor:**  
Jessica B. - For displaying excellent behaviour and good manners.  
Phoebe S. - For being a friendly, happy and caring class member.

**4/5 Watt:**  
Declin M. - For his excellent work during Role Model writing.  
Benjamin P. - For always being organized and having a positive attitude towards each day.

**5/6 Windridge:**  
Hayley B. - For excellent maintenance of her reading diary.  
Olivia T. - For working hard at home learning her times tables.

**6 McKerrow:**  
Bailey H. - For his excellent approach to all work he does.  
Liam L. - For excellent recording in his reading diary.

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**EGGS FOR SALE**

Our girls are busy laying lots of eggs, $2.50 a dozen. See Wendy in the grade 3/4 room.  
If families have vegie scraps, stale bread or they would like to cook up some pasta or rice and bring it to my room in the morning the girls would really appreciate it.

Wendy Ennor

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**Kinship Connect**

**Connections**

Do you care for children from your own extended family or friendship group?  
Would you like to have some ‘time out’ with other kinship carers in similar situations?  

**Kinship Connect Connections meets every Friday from 9.30- 11.30 during the school term.**

**What the group can offer**

- Guest speakers talking about a range of relevant topics  
- Friendship  
- Information  
- A valuable break in the week

For more information and locations (these can change), please contact Rachel 0428656229

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**Parents’ Club Meeting**
The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be held Friday May 24th at 9.05 a.m. in the conference room, we look forward to some new faces joining us.

**Parents’ Club Lunch Orders**
Lunch orders will be every second WEDNESDAY. Please place correct money in the envelope when sending the orders to school. Children need to place their lunch orders in the pink tub in the office by 9.30 a.m. on Friday. If your child is absent on lunch order day, please let the office know so we can organise a refund.

**“Foneraiser” Mobile Phone Recycling**
All families would have received a satchel for old mobile phones. We will earn cash from “Foneraiser” for each mobile phone we send them throughout 2013. Not only do we raise funds for or school but we are also helping the environment at the same time!

**Mothers’ Day Stall**
The Parents’ Club would like to Thank all the families who donated gifts for the Mothers’ Day Stall. The stall was extremely successful, raising $798.00. We had a great variety of gifts this year and the children were very excited. We would also like to thank all the parents who sorted the gifts, set up the stall and helped on the day.

**Mothers’ Day Raffle**
Congratulations to the winners of the Mothers’ Day Raffle:
- 1st Prize: Jordan P.
- 2nd Prize: A.J. Of Long Gully
- 3rd Prize: Brodie R.
- 4th Prize: Shayne C.
- 5th Prize: Karen N.
- 6th Prize: Heather C.
- 7th Prize: Riley C.
- 8th Prize: Porter Family

A big Thank You to Fitzpatrick’s Home Hardware, Champions Long Gully SUPA IGA, Hairem Scarme and Bendigo Tramways who donated prizes. We raised $389.00.
Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

**BOOK CLUB**

Book Club Issue 4 has been sent home this week. It is **due back** at school next **Friday, May 24th 2013**.

If you have any questions, please see Linda Windridge or your class teacher.

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**Woolworths Earn & Learn 2013**

It’s back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for our school.

**It’s simple to participate:** from Monday 8th April, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect points from the checkout operator (remember to ask them for the stickers as they will not ask you) and place them on point sheets. There’ll be one point for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, place your point sheets in the collection box located in the office here at school.


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**FREE SKATEBOARDING WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS**

**RELEASE DATE: MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2013**

The Skateboarding Australia (SBA) Hubs provide a modern day version of a sporting club and are revolutionising the way Australians participate in physical activity. A Hub provides a community that exists without walls or entry fees with the primary purpose of getting more people active and into skateboarding. This is done through fun, inclusive and free events that orbit around a variety of skateparks in each Hub region.

A 2013 report released by CSIRO states that more Australians are losing interest in organised sport due to time poor lifestyles and barriers to participation. In contrast, participation in skateboarding is growing rapidly in popularity especially amongst Gen Y. It is vital that physical activity options available in communities grow to suit these changing demands.

With 1.5 million youth between 5 and 14 participating regularly outside of school hours (Australia Institute of Health and Welfare, 2012), skateboarding is a large part of this demand.

**Thanks to the Australian Sports Commission, Nike, Pro-Tec, City of Greater Bendigo, and Simik the M 1 Story:** Skateboarding Australia will be hosting a *StreetWise Learn To Skate* Workshop

**Where?** Bendigo Workshop, (On Victoria Highway & Kennedy Street, Bendigo)

**When?** 27th May, StreetWise Workshop 10am-11am & 1pm-2pm

Ramps and helmets are provided. Prizes under 15 will require a parent or guardian to sign them in.

The main activity in the Hub, StreetWise, is a free ‘Learn To Skate’ Workshops run by Australian Sports Commission accredited coaches, with a focus of getting beginners on boards and growing that skills through regular sessions. For advanced riders the Hub also offers Game of BMX and Bristl Trick competitions, with prizes provided by Mike.

**City of Greater Bendigo** has a thriving skateboarding community and through the Hubs program $135 will allow the generation of youth (and willing adults) to see how to use the Bendigo, Greenspace, and Warehouse skateparks in a fun and safe manner. Skateboarding provides so many people happy and healthy; we wish to advance this positive energy nationwide.

For more information, interviews or photo opportunities please call Skateboarding Australia on (03) 5477 808 or email info@ausbike.com. Visit ausbike.com for details of Hub events Australia wide!

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**RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA**

**WINNING PRIZES FOR OUR SCHOOL**

Shop at Bendigo Marketplace from 15 April to 26 May and drop your receipts at the Customer Service Desk.

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Thank you to Geoff Findlay Manager
342 Hargreaves St, Bendigo 3550
Ph (03) 5443 3069

for your support of the California Gully Primary School Parents' Club fundraising efforts.

CATHOLIC COLLEGE BENDIGO
ENROLMENTS - YEAR 7, 2014 Each year Catholic College Bendigo welcomes new students. For students currently in Year 6, a Transition Day is held to experience life as a Year 7 student. Students in Year 6 are invited to attend for a Transition Day on Wednesday May 29th 2013. If you are interested in your Year 6 student attending Transition Day, it is necessary to register by contacting Mrs. Trish Martin, College Registrar on 5449 3466 or email tmartin@ccb.vic.edu.au to obtain a Registration Form.

Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

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Bendigo Marketplace Shopping Centre’s
RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA 2013

Shop at Bendigo Marketplace Shopping Centre from Monday 15th April to Sunday 26th May 2013. Then simply present your shopping receipts at the Customer Service Desk or in the quick drop boxes located behind the customer service desk at the centre. There is a drop box clearly labelled and allocated to California Gully Primary School.

The idea behind the Bendigo Marketplace Shopping Centre Run Around Australia is that customers are awarded kilometres for dollars spent at all stores in centre. The customer nominates the name of the school that they want to receive their kilometres. They continue to redeem their receipts for kilometres throughout the promotional period and the school that runs around Australia the furthest wins!

There are three **MAJOR CASH PRIZES** to be won:

- **1st Prize** $10,000
- **2nd Prize** $3,000
- **3rd Prize** $2,000

Here is the leaderboard after the third week, unfortunately we have dropped from ninth to eleventh! With just a few weeks left let’s see if we can win at least 3rd prize!

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