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School Council Meeting  
7.30 p.m.

Tuesday October 16th  
Gym Program

Thursday October 18th  
Nude Food Day

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Gym Program

Sunday October 28th  
Working Bee

Tuesday October 30th  
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Bendigo Cup Day

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Gym Program

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School Council Meeting  
7.30 p.m.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

WORKING BEE

A working bee will be held on Sunday October 28th. The following are some tasks that I am hoping to complete during the working bee. The working bee will run from 9.00am until 11.30am.

- Installation of ag flow pipe in specific areas of school
- Fix ladder anchors to library and shed
- Emergency signs installed
- Garden maintenance
- General tidy up

2012 NAPLAN

In May this year, national literacy and numeracy tests (NAPLAN) were administered to students in Years 3 and 5. At the end of term 3 the NAPLAN results were forwarded on to the school and the results were also made available online for school staff to view and analyse. Teachers use the results to identify the strengths and weaknesses of our educational programs and also for identifying targets for improvement.

Overall, we are very pleased with the results and would like to once again congratulate the Year 3 and 5 students on their efforts.

The report does not reflect the full range of your child’s abilities but shows how they performed at a single point in time. The classroom teachers assess each student’s learning in literacy and numeracy in an ongoing basis and are well placed to assist parents with developing a greater understanding of how your child is performing in both areas.

NAPLAN results for students in Grade 3 and Grade 5 will be sent home with the children tomorrow.

A parent information brochure will also accompany the NAPLAN results. If you have any queries regarding the results please make a time to speak to your child’s teacher.

SUNSMART COMPLIANCE

Children should now be wearing their hats as part of our SunSmart Policy. Children without a hat will be required to stay in the undercover area of the school and or attend the Alternative Lunchtime Program.

If your child needs a new school hat both the broad brimmed and bucket hats can be purchased from Fashion Plus in Williamson St for $12 with the logo (current stock) and $10 without the logo. If stock becomes limited the turnaround after ordering a hat with a logo is approximately a week.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
THE BELL TOPPER
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

VICTORIAN PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

I recently met with Briony Gee the ‘Healthy Children’ coordinator from The City of Greater Bendigo. Briony is leading a team to support schools implementing the Victorian Prevention and Health Promotion Achievement Program. My current priority is to get families involved in the process and as such I will be sending out a short survey next week which will give you the opportunity to share your views on California Gully Primary School as a health promoting service. The information you provide will go a long way to shaping the policies we put in place and decision making processes we implement.

Jason Lee
Principal

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 CALENDAR

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National Nutrition Week

National Nutrition Week is held every year by Nutrition Australia in October and is a fantastic opportunity to get parents, teachers and kids to join in the fun and opportunities to understand more about healthy living through food variety and physical activity!

Nutrition Australia, as well as many schools, community health centres and workplaces, will be hosting a number of events during Nutrition Week. For further information and to find out more about events in your area visit the Nutrition Australia website www.nutritionaustralia.org.

Also available on the Nutrition Australia website is the Nutrition Week Kit designed for schools, families, workplace, childcare and other community groups to assist in planning their own events and activities.

Activities available in some states include:
- Guest speakers
- Celebrity chefs & cooking demonstrations
- Trade stalls from sporting organisations
- Children’s activities including face painting and competitions
- Showbags

Thursday October 18th is Nude Food Day. Students are asked to make healthy food choices and prepare their lunch boxes without the use of extra wrappers. The school will be having a picnic lunch on the oval to celebrate.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club Issue 7 has been sent home and is due back (with correct money) at school on Friday, October 19th.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
Don’t forget to check out the school’s website www.californiagullyps.vic.edu.au

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

Parents’ Club Meeting
The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be Friday, October 19th, after assembly in the school conference room - opposite the office. All are welcome to attend.

Lunch Orders
Due to the Gym Program, we will be having a one off lunch order on Wednesday October 17th. On the menu is Dim Sims. Orders and correct money are to be returned to school no later than 9.30 a.m. tomorrow, Friday October 12th.

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 October 16th and Thursday October 18th. 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

Can you help our Playgroup?
They are in need of a baby gate, if you have one that you no longer require, please leave it with Nicole in the office.

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HARRIETVILLE CAMP

Wednesday September 12th to Friday September 14th 2012

I enjoyed the ropes.
James

I liked the disco and snow at camp.
Chara

I loved camp because of archery.
Olivia

Camp was good because the accommodation was really good.
Phoenix

I loved camp I think it might be the best camp ever I loved all of the activities.
Lachio

Camp was great I liked the pool.
Casey

Camp was cool because we got to play with the snow.
Izak

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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 21st**

**Prep/1 Christian:** Blake B. - For a conscious effort in diary writing this week.

**Prep/1 Peacock:**
- Lily G. - For always having a friendly smile and ready giggle at school.
- Chloe H. - For working well in reading groups and making great attempts at sounding out words.
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**2 Carroll-Hinton:**
- Ben A. - For a great attempt at reading accurately.
- Jazmin T. - For a great effort learning our production song.

**3/4 Hartney:**
- Robert P. - For always being happy, caring and doing his best.
- Olivia T. - For being caring, co-operative and friendly.

**3/4 Tanner:**
- Nathaniel H. - For his organized presentation of his bushranger project.
- Declin M. - For giving constructive feedback to others during presentations.

**5/6 Ennor:**
- Brittany M. - For an excellent project on Ned Kelly.
- Logan W. - For an excellent project on Ned Kelly.

**5/6 McKerrow:**
- Markus B. - For being a star in the 10 second walk.
- Alkira B. - For continuing to maintain her reading diary very well.

**5/6 Windridge:**
- Jaedyn B. - For working hard on his bushranger project.
- Stephanie P. - For excellent research on her bushranger project.
- Julie S. - For working ell on her bushranger project.

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Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect)
Positive Behaviour Support Workshop

A free, autism specific positive behaviour workshop for parents
23rd, 24th & 25th October 9.30 am – 2.30pm
Weerona Lake Pavilion, Weerona Drive Bendigo 3550

Aspect Victoria is pleased to offer our highly successful three day autism specific Aspect Positive Behaviour Support workshop for parents of children and young people aged 6 and 25 years with an autism spectrum disorder in the Loddon Mallee Region of Victoria.

Based on Aspect’s direct experience working with families, this workshop teaches parents how to use contemporary, evidence-based, autism specific positive behaviour support strategies at home with their children.

Aspect Positive Behaviour Support workshops have proven effectiveness

Since 2005, 1200 families have participated in Aspect Positive Behaviour Support workshops. An independent evaluation of the workshop program showed “evidence of an extremely significant decrease in challenging behaviours … and evidence of an extremely significant increase in parental self-efficacy following the 3-day workshop and again at the 4-6 week follow-up.”

Families participating in this workshop will:

- Develop best practice understanding of autism and how an autism spectrum disorder can contribute to challenging behaviours.
- Learn how to create an autism friendly environment at home.
- Learn how to write an autism specific behaviour support plan for one of their child’s behaviours.
- Learn how write a crisis plan and respond confidently when challenging behaviour occurs.
- Learn how to teach new skills to promote their child’s communication, emotional regulation or independence.

What participants say about Aspect Positive Behaviour Support workshops:

“Fantastic presentation. Very interactive & affirming & capacity building. Ideas not just discussed but taught how to follow through on.”

“Best information session on Autism I have been to, so much clarity about getting to the core behaviour, unpeeling onion, enjoyed all visuals. Thank you so much.”

“I have attended many workshops & seminars with my daughter to try & find answers to what we needed to know. This workshop has been the most informative ever.”

To be eligible for this workshop you must be the parent or carer of a child or young person aged between 6 and 25 years with a diagnosed autism spectrum disorder and you must live in the local government areas of Buloke, Campaspe, Central Goldfields, Gannawarra, Greater Bendigo, Loddon, Macedon Ranges, Mildura, Mount Alexander and Swanhill. Service providers working with participating families are encouraged to attend.

When
Three day workshop is on 23rd, 24th & 25th October 2012

Where
Weerona Lake Pavilion, Weerona Drive Bendigo 3550.

Time
9.30am to 2.30pm each day

Cost
FREE

Register
Online at www.autismspectrum.org.au

Contact
Heather Kirkhope at Aspect Victoria:
Phone: 03 9377 6628 or email hkirkhope@autismspectrum.org.au

Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect) is Australia’s largest not for profit autism specific service provider. Established in 1986, Aspect provides a wide range of services and support. In 2010 Aspect commenced operation in Victoria.

Aspect has been funded by the Department of Human Services to provide a range of positive behaviour support programs across Victoria.

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**Drama Academy**

Boost your child’s creativity, confidence and communication skills with FUN drama classes

Bendigo Studio for students aged 5-17

Call Principal Alise 5448 3166

www.helenogrady.com.au

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**Future Regional Play Space – Have your say**

The City of Greater Bendigo has prepared an exciting concept design for a future Eaglehawk Regional Play Space and is now seeking comment on the proposal.

The concept is accessible for public comment on Council’s website, simply google: “Eaglehawk Regional Play Space Bendigo” and choose the first link. Or go directly to


The hardcopy plans can be viewed here at the school or in Eaglehawk at the Peter Krenz Leisure Centre, Our Place Community Centre, Library and the IGA Supermarket.

Please let the Council know what you think.

Email your comments to eaglehawkplayspace@Bendigo.vic.gov.au

or ring the City of Greater Bendigo on 5434 6000.

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Pauls would like to thank you for participating in the Pauls Collect-A-Cap Program. We are delighted to have been able to assist your school or organisation in raising funds, and hope these have made a positive difference for your club, group or school. Collect-A-Cap has been a great success. Over the past 14 months, we have donated more than $430,000 to almost 3000 local schools and community groups who have taken part in the program — a fantastic result!

3 MONTHS TO GO!

The last day of the Pauls Collect-A-Cap Program will be 31st December 2012. There is just over THREE months left to keep collecting and raise funds for your organisation, so please keep collecting and get your caps sent in!

Once again, thank you for your continued support of the Pauls brand and for your participation in Collect-A-Cap.

Happy collecting, The Collect-A-Cap Team!

THE COUNTDOWN IS ON!
SO KEEP COLLECTING UNTIL 31ST DECEMBER, 2012.

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