**MISSION**

At California Gully Primary School we educate students to be lifelong learners and well informed and productive community members who are well prepared to become active, engaged and responsible citizens of the local and global community.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER**

- Walk Safely to School Day - **Friday May 20th**
- National Simultaneous Reading Day - **Tuesday May 24th**
- **Curriculum Day** (No Students Required at School) - **Wednesday May 25th**
- Book Club Issue 4 Orders Due - **Thursday May 26th**
- Parents’ Club Meeting - **Friday May 27th**
- School Camp Payments Finalised - **Friday June 17th**

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**CURRICULUM DAY - REMINDER**

Next Wednesday 25th May is our term 2 curriculum day. We will be reviewing our school strategic goals with a specific focus on reading and writing, attendance and student connectedness. I anticipate from the day will come an number of actions to assist in achieving our school goals and as a direct result improved student engagement and outcomes.

**EDUCATION WEEK**

I trust all the family and friends who were able to attend our open morning yesterday had an enjoyable time watching and in some cases joining in with the children. Every year I know the children enjoy the opportunity to share the school experiences with you. We had a number of potential 2017 Prep parents also visit the school and I believe they would have been very impressed with the working environment of the classrooms and manners of our students.

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**Calendar**

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**Every Tuesday and Friday**

8.30 a.m. - 8.55 a.m.
Library Open for borrowing and returning books and quiet reading

**Every Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.**
Playgroup

**Every Friday 8.00 a.m. - 8.20 a.m.**
Breakfast Program

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2017 PREP (FOUNDATION) INFORMATION
On Wednesday night we held our Prep information session we had a number of families attend and we were able to inform them of the terrific programs and activities we run at California Gully Primary School.
If you have a child who will be attending California Gully Primary School in Prep next year, you are most welcome to enrol at any time. Early enrolments assist us to put in place staffing, grade structures and allocate resources for next year. When enrolling your child, you will need to provide with the enrolment form:
1. A copy of the birth certificate (we can make copies of originals if necessary) and
2. A school entry immunisation certificate obtained from The Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR). Phone 1800653809.
Enrolment forms are now available for collection from the office.
If you know anyone moving into our area, has a child attending your child's pre-school or who has a Prep child for next year and has not chosen a school for their child, talk to them about our school and please invite them to contact me for a tour and a conversation.

PARENT SURVEY FINDINGS
39 families completed the survey up on the 32 from last year this equates to about 33% of our families which is a wonderful result so thank you. I have just finished collating the results of the survey and will share this information with the staff and then with you the school community as soon as possible.

Jason Lee
Principal

CALIFORNIA GULLY FACEBOOK PAGE
Interested in following the great events and activities occurring at California Gully Primary School then use the link below to get to our official Facebook Page.

https://www.facebook.com/californiagullyps/

Lost from the Grade 5/6 McKerrow Classroom 1 Hearing Aid - if found please return it to Mr. Mac in his classroom or to the school office.

CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund)
Applications are closing soon for families who are Health Care Card holders to apply for the funding - forms are available from the school office, when completing your application please bring a long your current Health Care Card, this is needed for the application to be accepted. Applications need to be at the school by Friday June 17th.

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WE'RE TAKING IT IN OUR STRIDE ON FRIDAY 20 MAY 2016

Well it’s that time of year again when our school seriously starts talking about walking!

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn’t realistic for many of us, it’s quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family’s daily routine.

You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:

- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

Remember, Active Kids are Smarter Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 20 May 2016!

For more information, visit www.walk.com.au

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS READING DAY

Next Tuesday (May 24th) join your child’s class to hear the story ‘I Got A Hat’. We will have a Hat Parade (Be Creative!) at 9.00 a.m., followed by the story.

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Parents’ Club Meeting
The next meeting of the Parents’ Club will be in the conference room after assembly next Friday, May 27th. All welcome.

Contacting the Parents’ Club
If you wish to contact the Parents’ club have an email address which is cgpsparentsclub@gmail.com.
Thank you for your support.
Parents' Club

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE
Monday to Friday 3.15 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.

- Available for all parents of California Gully Primary School
- Affordable
- Childcare in a safe and secure environment
- Providing interesting activities for all children
- Permanent/Casual Bookings available
- Emergency bookings always available

Mrs. Paton

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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This year we will again celebrate 100 days of Maths. Each week in the newsletter we will have a focus on Maths. Here is a puzzle page for all the family. Level 1 and 2 are generally for younger students, but you can do whatever levels you wish. Children may complete them on their own or they may need some assistance. We hope you enjoy them. Bring in your neat answers and we will display them on the Maths Board in the undercover area. It would be great to see some work up on display each week!
Congratulations to the following students on being named Student of The Week for their positive attitude to school and social values.

Friday May 13th

Prep Dillon:
Hollie B. - For working well in library with Mrs. Holt.
Logan B. - For keeping an up-to-date reading diary.
Blake T. - For making good choices in the yard and trying his best during class.

1/2 Peacock-Hinton:
Jackson H. - For working well in library with Mrs. Holt.
Xavier H. - For bringing a positive attitude to all his school activities.
Nathan P. - For consistently reading his reader before school each day.
Jedd S. - For awesome work when counting money.

3/4 Ennor:
Liam C. - For being a Stephanie Alexander Superstar.
Mason F. - For a fantastic effort in reaching 100 days of home reading.
Jade H. - For working well in library with Mrs. Holt.
Emily K.-S. - For being 'wonderful' in many ways.

3/4 Reilly-Carroll:
Taylah B. - For working well in library with Mrs. Holt.

5/6 McKerrow:
Shii-an B. - For working well in library with Mrs. Holt.
Sam G. - For 100 nights of reading.
Ayla L. - For 100 nights of reading.
Jess M. - For 100 nights of reading.
Phoebe S. - For 100 nights of reading.
Jazmin T. - For 100 nights of reading.

5/6 Windridge:
Suzie C. - For working hard on her times tables.
Keely F. - For working hard to learn her times tables and taking responsibility for being tested on them.
Ella S. - For working well in library lessons.

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Mrs. Carroll is once again on the look out for sauce bottles with twisty lids.
If you can help please see Mrs. Carroll in the Junior Building.

Do you or your older children have any novels or chapter books they no longer want? If you can help the Grade 1/2 classroom library will happily accept them. Please send them along to Mrs. Hinton and Mrs. Peacock.

The first steps are most important
A child’s early years development helps them achieve success in the future
For details please visit: www.lmpa.org.au
or call the office on: 5443 1229

1st ROUND KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN BEFORE 15th JUNE

Catch the savings bug with school banking every Tuesday.
Eaglebank Branch
Cnr High & Church St
Eaglebank VIC 3556
P: 03 5446 8511
Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, ABN 11 068 049 178. AFSL 237879. (B286523) (04/10)

BOOK CLUB
Please order online and pay with your card at www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP. If you are unable to order online, then put the order and money in cash in an envelope marked with your child’s name and give to the class teacher.
Book Club Issue 4 has been sent home earlier this week. It is due back at school Thursday May 26th 2016.

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GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS

TIP 32. THERE ARE FATS AND FATS

Some fat in the diet is necessary for certain vitamins and essential fatty acids. But too much fat can lead to overweight and obesity. Dairy foods such as milk, cheese and yoghurt contribute to the fat in the diet and they provide other valuable nutrients as well. For children over two years old, reduced-fat milk products are recommended so that they continue to benefit from the nutrients without too much fat. The main fat to limit is saturated fat, especially in foods like biscuits, cakes, pies, buns and pastries and some snack and take-away foods.

What you can do NOW

- Grill, steam or bake rather than fry food.
- Switch from full-cream milk to reduced-fat milk for children over two years.
- Remove visible fat from children’s meat and skin from chicken before cooking.
- Limit processed meats, fried foods, saturated fat and high-fat sauces and salad dressings.

Top Tip

For cooking, use a variety of the unsaturated types of oil including olive, canola, peanut, soybean and sunflower oils.

Good Idea!

One of the best ways to reduce fat intake is to increase fruits, vegetables, and wholegrain breads and cereals in the diet. These foods fill kids up while providing essential nutrition.

Fabulous Fibre

Fibre is needed to keep our digestive system healthy.

Where is fibre found?
Foods that are a good source of fibre include wholemeal breads and cereals, fruit (such as apples and kiwi fruit), vegetables (such as broccoli and carrots) and legumes (such as dried beans, baked beans and lentils).

Advantages of eating a high fibre breakfast
- Helps prevent constipation—a very common health problem in Australian children
- Increases your energy levels throughout the day
- High fibre foods are generally low in fat

How much fibre should my child be eating?
A good rule of thumb to work out a school child’s fibre requirement is adding their age plus 5 to 10 grams of fibre. For example, a 10 year old child needs 10 grams of fibre (their age), plus 5 to 10 grams more of fibre. Therefore, a 10 year old child needs 15 to 20 grams of fibre per day. In comparison, adults need 30 grams of fibre per day.

Most food products list the fibre content on their information panel. Wholefoods, such as fruit and vegetable are naturally packed with fibre!
GRADE 3 TO 6 CAMP
Please note that Camp payments need to be finalised by Friday June 17th. If you would like to pay directly into the school bank account the details are:

- BSB: 063-506
- Account Number: 1011 3387
- Account Name: California Gully Primary School Council Official Account
- Reference: Camp for (Child’s Name)

PLAYGROUP
Let’s get together and build on friendships.

- Wednesdays
  - 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 p.m.
  - in the Outside School Hours Care room.

Please bring along a piece of fruit to share.
We follow the healthy eating guidelines and encourage the SunSmart messages that are taught to the students at school, to provide a great foundation for future students.

Session dates and activities:
- May 25th: Planting Seeds
- June 1st: Bookmaking—Playgroup Stories
- June 8th: Playdough Fun
- June 15th: Multi-Purpose Room - Adventure Play
- June 22nd: Pyjama Party - Last Playgroup Term 2

For information of what events are coming up in playgroup please visit the school website Playgroup page.

Join us on Facebook: www.facebook/calgullyplaygroup1

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CATHOLIC COLLEGE BENDIGO

INFORMATION EVENING
for parents of Grade 6 students with additional needs

- Funded (SWD)
- Significant Additional Needs (non-funded, e.g. Social-Emotional)
- English as an Additional Language (EAL) students with significant additional needs.

Tuesday 24 May, 2016
6.30pm - 7.30pm
Library - La Valla Meivor
Highway, Junortoun (enter from St Vincent’s Road)

Enquiries to: Mrs Therese Lynch,
Learning Support Facilitator - La Valla
Phone 5449 3466; tlynch@czb.vic.edu.au

Why do kids behave the way they do? What discipline strategies really work?
They have been through so much... what will help them feel secure & safe?

What about resilience? How can we help our children handle the tough stuff in life?

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Join us at our weekly Breakfast Program

Every Friday from 8 a.m. to 8.20 a.m.

Thanks to Empowering Eaglehawk, The Eaglehawk Football Club and the Peter Krenz Leisure Centre/YMCA we have a community breakfast program for all families (parents are more than welcome to attend) and staff of California Gully. The community breakfast program continues tomorrow, Friday May 20th at 8 a.m. (please note that we will stop serving breakfast at 8.20a.m. any children who arrive after 8.20 a.m. will miss out).
Sharing in breakfast together, what a great way for our school community to start to start the day!

Introducing Fresh Fruit Friday

Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

Proudly funded and supported by:

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