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.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL
CURRICULUM DAY
On Tuesday 11th November the school staff undertook the task of completing the 2015-2018 School Strategic Plan. It was a very productive day with the staff determining key improvement strategies to strengthen school community relations and the ongoing task of improving student outcomes. Actions required to achieve the key improvement strategies were then developed with important milestones determined for each year of the plan. The work we undertake from 2015 will compliment and build on the successes we have already had in the areas of: student achievement; wellbeing and engagement. I look forward to the opportunity of working with staff to improve student outcomes and consolidating the school and family partnership over the next 4 years.

PREP TRANSITION - TUESDAY NOVEMBER 18th - 9.15a.m. to 10.45a.m.
Next Tuesday our 2015 Preps will come to school for their second transition day. The children will again get to know their new environment and some of the routines at California Gully P.S. The 2015 parents will also be provided with an information session covering all aspects of our school program and enjoy a morning tea. We look forward to meeting everyone again next week.

WORKING BEE
A huge thank you to the parents who were able to assist with the working bee last Sunday. Some general maintenance and a tidy up of the gardens gave the school grounds the small ‘lift’ it required.
T-20 BLAST
Last Friday 24 students took part in the Bendigo Region T-20 Cricket Blast. Students from grades 3 to 6 competed to the best of their ability against schools from all over Bendigo. The girls won two of their four games and the two boys teams won one game and lost three. An enjoyable day was had by all and the students once again represented the school outstandingly. Thanks to Natasha Fullerton, Deanne Pointon and Darren Appleby for the assistance during the day.

2015 ARRANGEMENTS
We are currently finalising staffing arrangements and student grade allocations for 2015, I am asking parents to let the office know if their children may be moving schools in 2015 OR if you are aware of a family coming to our school that has not made contact as yet have them contact the school as soon as possible. Accurate student numbers for planning are crucial.

Jason Lee
Principal

COMMUNITY DINNER
Hosted by California Gully Primary School Council
Sunday November 30th
6.00 p.m.
Bendigo Stadium Bistro
All Welcome!

This is a great social opportunity for all members of our school community. Please indicate your intention to attend on the tear-off at the back of the newsletter.

The vegie garden has been planted and with the warmer weather it is going to need plenty of water. We are in need of some parents to hang around after assembly to help water the vegies. Please see Wendy if you can help.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!
Grade 5/6 Maths Talks

This term Grade 5 and 6 are having a series of visitors to our classrooms to talk about how they use Maths in their jobs and the importance of working hard in Maths at school. Our first visitor was Brett Bradley, a parent of a child at our school.

Chara S.-W. and Zoe W. of 5/6 WD wrote the following about his visit:

Last Wednesday the 5th of November, Grade 5/6 had Brett Bradley come to talk to us about Maths and his job as a chef. He told us that he had to use maths to measure, using grams, kilograms, litres and millilitres. He had to know how to multiply or divide recipes to cook for more or less people. He uses time to know how long things take to cook. He needs to know a lot about money. He has to count money and work out change. He needs to know how much the food is worth and how much to charge to make money for his business.

We would like to thank Brett for giving up his time to come and talk to us. We enjoyed learning about what you need to know to be a chef.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club Issue 8 has been sent home this week. Orders with correct money are due back at school Thursday, November 18th 2014.

Thanks to Empowering Eaglehawk, The Eaglehawk Football Netball 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 will continue tomorrow Friday November 14th 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! 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.
Parents’ Club Meeting
The Annual General Meeting will be held tomorrow, Friday November 14th at 9.15 a.m. following assembly in the conference room.

Lunch Orders
The Order Forms for Term 4 are printed on pink paper and are distributed to the children every Wednesday. Spare forms are available at the front of the Office or otherwise on the school website. All orders and money need to be into the Office by 9.30 a.m. Monday mornings. Also if your child is absent on the day of the Lunches could you please contact the Office to cancel the order, this way we can arrange a refund.
Please note that the last day for lunch orders will be November 26th.

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

School Hoodies can now be ordered at Bendigo Uniforms Plus, cost is $35.00.

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:
- Wednesday November 19th— Adventure Play in the Multi-Purpose Building
- Wednesday November 26th— Box Construction
- Wednesday December 3rd— Making Cupcakes
- Wednesday December 10th— Adventure Play in the Multi-Purpose Building
- Wednesday December 17th— Christmas Break-Up

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

Join us on Facebook: www.facebook/calgyllyplaygroup1

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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 November 7th**

2 Reilly-Peacock:
- Krystopher G. - For making an effort in all areas of his learning this week.
- Tully McA.-M. - For being persistent in her problem solving in Mathematics.

3 Watt:
- Errin H. - For being able to explain her response to a challenging comprehension question.
- Ryan H. - For excellent comprehension work in Literacy Groups.
- Keesha W. - For being a caring student in the yard.

5/6 McKerrow:
- Elisha L. - For excellent work on her narrative writing.
- Tanika M. - For excellent work on her narrative writing.
- Tanika M. - For showing confidence in Maths groups and being willing to have a go.

5/6 Windridge-Doolan:
- Ethan B. - For working well in Maths on multiplication, factors, primes and composite numbers.
- Braidyn D. - For working well in Maths on factors and composite numbers.

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Student Banking

Don’t forget that every Friday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. There are new reward items available during Term 4, a projector cup and sea streamers. These are on display in the school office.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at California Gully Primary School.

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HEALTHY LIVING

GREAT TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS

TIP 29. KIDS NEED REGULAR MEALS

These days food is available 24 hours a day and may people eat whenever they want. For some, there are no rules about when to eat.

It can be a good idea to eat only when you are hungry, but children need the regular supply of nutrition from eating at regular times.

Beside the nutritional value of regular meals, kids benefit from together time with the family.

What you can do NOW

♦ Decide on regular mealtimes each day. Even when everyone is rushed, you can aim for set times when meals are served.
♦ Offer small servings if your child prefers to eat little and often.
♦ If your child is not hungry, simply take the plate away and make no fuss.

Top Tip

Eating involves more than filling yourself up. It involves sitting with others and feeling fed both by the food and the company.

Healthy Delicious Snacks to Share with Friends after School!

"Fruit Topped Muffins"

Ingredients:
½ cup low-fat cottage or ricotta cheese
2 tablespoons chopped pineapple
1 tablespoon sultanas or other dried fruit
1 wholegrain English muffin

Method:
Combine cheese, pineapple and sultanas in bowl. Cut muffin in half and toast both sides. Spread on cheese mixture and serve.

"Nutty Banana Rice Cakes"

Ingredients:
6 teaspoons unsalted peanut butter
2 rice cakes
1 banana
1 teaspoon honey

Method:
Spread peanut butter onto rice cakes. Slice banana, and arrange slices on top of cakes. Drizzle honey over banana and serve.

(When using canned fruits, try and use ones with Natural Juice)

Good Idea!

Plan the week’s menus ahead of time and stock up on necessary ingredients. Then involve the kids in some preparation. This will avoid last minute stress about what to serve.

EGGS FOR SALE

Our girls are busy laying lots of eggs, $2.50 a dozen. See Wendy in the grade 3/4 room.

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

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Bendigo Family Nature Club
Sunday 16th of November
10am - 1pm
Fossil Fossicking
Travel in Time to an age of ancient creatures. Discover fossils in our local bush. Hear from Phil Dyson Hydro Geologist and expert then head off on a Fossil Fossicking adventure.
For Children with responsible adults
Registration or More Info: https://fossil-fossicking.eventbrite.com.au

Twilight Festival
Join the “Hope...It Grows” Community Garden as we celebrate community, food and connections.

COMMUNITY DINNER at BENDIGO STADIUM

Family Name: ________________________________

Number Attending: __________ Phone Number: ________________________________

Please return to school office by Tuesday November 25th.

School Assembly starts at 8.55 a.m. Please be on time!