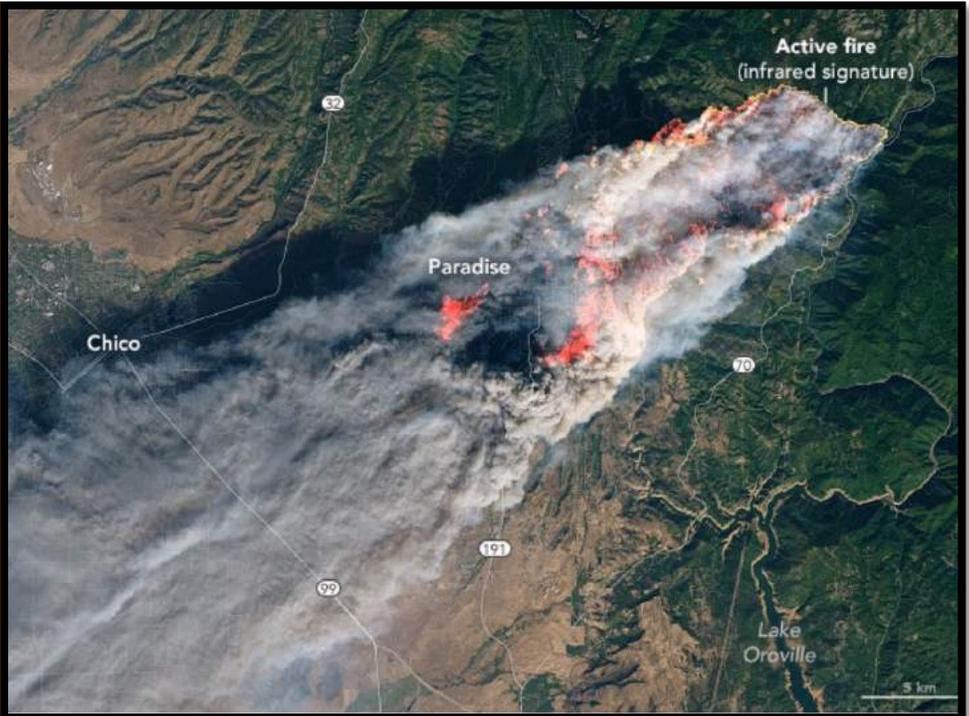




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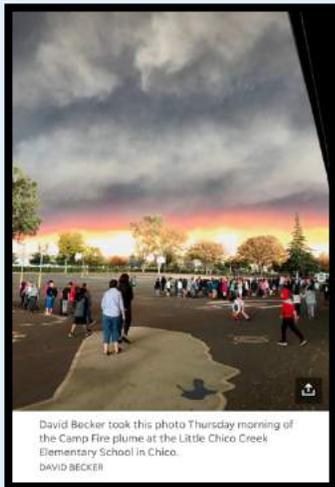
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“We are Crew, Not Passengers.”

Responding to Tragedy with Crew!



David Becker took this photo Thursday morning of the Camp Fire plume at the Little Chico Creek Elementary School in Chico.
DAVID BECKER

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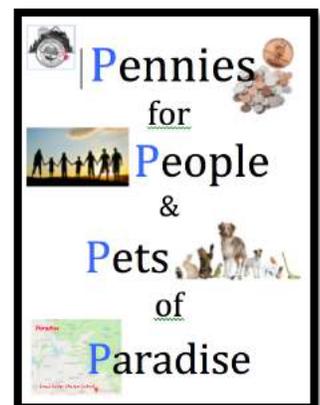
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The devastation of the Camp Fire is hard to put into words, and has been so immense that it feels like nearly everyone knows someone who has been impacted by this tragedy. While locally it has been an inconvenience for most of us, with smoke in air, and so on – for others, this has been a life-altering event.

In these times, we at Charter have a history of standing together to walk our talk of being Crew.

Given the scale of this tragedy and the immense amount of need, we have created several ways for families to support those in need.

No doubt that last week your student brought home the **Pennies**



for People and Pets of Paradise, the details of that effort are below on page 2.

Our dates for ***Pennies for People & Pets of Paradise!*** is **November 15-30** to provide immediate aid. Each Crew will have in their classroom a box to decorate with positive notes and to fill with pet supplies that include: cat food & dog food, blankets & towels, food bowls, treats & toys, paper towel rolls and piddle pads. We will deliver all animal supplies to **Sammie's Friends** who gets them to the various locations where there are hundreds of displaced pets!

In addition for caring for the pets of paradise, we also want to **support the families** impacted by the fire. As such a **container to fill with coins** is also in each classroom. We will then purchase various gift cards to deliver to Paradise families.

Last but certainly not least, **we have two students at Charter who were immediately and personally impacted by the fire.** These students had their homes burn to the ground. In communication with these families, as they are still looking for a place to stay, they are requesting assistance in finding rentals, or financial assistance as opposed to items they have no place to store.

If you are interested in helping these families directly, **one has set up a Go Fund Me page**, which can be accessed at <https://www.gofundme.com/click-family-camp-fire-fund>, the other family can be supported by dropping off a **check off in the Front Office**. Please make the check out to **GVCSF**, and note **"Camp Fire Family"** in the note line. We will then cut one check to the family by November 30th.

Last but not least, if you have a lead on housing, the Click family is looking for the following:

"We are seeking a 2 bedroom rental, dog friendly, for under \$1200. We are not seeking temporary residence, but a long-term rental residence. The square footage of the house/unit is not especially important. We would prefer something in the westernmost area of western Nevada County, though we would be grateful to discuss a property that meets our needs in other nearby regions. We understand that this may be difficult to come by in Nevada County, so we appreciate any leads." Please contact Kevin at kclick1@mail.csuchico.edu



if you have a lead on a rental. Thank you all for supporting our Crew in whatever manner speaks to you.

California School Parent Survey – (Still) Needs Your Input!

We are encouraging parents to take the CA School Parent Survey, which will ask you to share your opinion of GVCS. Participation is voluntary – but also very important! The data collected will be anonymous, but will be used to guide district efforts to help promote safety, enhanced learning and improve student achievement. All questions on the survey apply only to GVCS and the results are for the use of the GVSD.

If you have more than 1 child at GVCS, please only complete the survey once, and where relevant, use your oldest child as a reference.

Access the survey using the following URL: surveys.wested.org/csps/YZ796TF

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Maddock at smaddock@gvdsd.us

Sports Updates!

Girls Volleyball:

11/26 at Magnolia,
7th at 4pm, 8th at 5pm
11/27 at 7Hills, 7th at 4pm
11/28 at Forest Lake,
8th at 4pm, 7th at 5pm
11/29 at 7 Hills, 7th grade at 5:15
12/4 at Magnolia,
7th at 4pm, 8th at 5pm
12/6 at Union Hill,
8th at 4pm, 7th at 5pm
12/11 at 7 Hills, 8th at 6:30pm
12/13 at Mt. Saint Mary's,
8th at 4pm, 7th at 5pm
12/18 – 20 at NU, Final Tournament

For more info,

Contact Coach Russ at
russyokon@msn.com

Boys Basketball:

12/17 - 2/22

Boys Volleyball:

2/25 - 4/26

Track:

4/8 – 5/24

Contact Mr. E with Qs

aezell@gvsd.us

Half Day Tuesday, No School Wed - Fri

Heads up that this is a pretty weird week with Thanksgiving break! There is a ½ day of school on Tuesday, and then we are out for the rest of the week, in celebration of Thanksgiving. Enjoy family, friends and all the things that you are thankful for this year!

Speech! Speech! Speech!

Interested in competing in the 4th - 8th grade Nevada County Speech Tournament? An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 5th in Room 12 from 3:10 - 4:00 with more details. The topic this year is "Greatest Moment in History." A GVCS tournament will be held in February to determine the contestants that will represent GVCS at the county tournament on March 7th. Begin to brainstorm now and bring your ideas on 12/5.

Food Access Saturday

Food Access Saturday is every second Saturday from 10:00am – 12:00pm at the Interfaith Food Ministry (440 Henderson Street, Grass Valley). Upcoming dates are: 12/8, 1/12, 2/9, 3/9, 4/13. Food Access Saturday is a partnership between United Way and Interfaith Food Ministry, for more information call 274 – 8111 or 273 – 8132.

Dates! Be In The Know!

11/20 – Thanksgiving, Minimum Day
11/21-11/23 – Thanksgiving Break, No School
12/21 – Donation Day Parade

An Expanded View of Student Achievement

At GVCS we have an expanded vision of student achievement. We believe that when a student graduates from our school, that they should be well on their way to becoming an effective and productive citizen, who not only envisions a better world, but possesses the tools to help create that world.

As students culminate their education, be it after college or vocational school, we know that their success is not solely dependent upon their test scores, but on the quality of their work and the quality of their character.

As such, at GVCS we consider student achievement to have three dimensions: Mastery of Academic Skills and Content, High – Quality Work, and Character.

We hope that you have found evidence of our commitment to these dimensions of student achievement in the previous pages.



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Our Design Principles

The Primacy of Self – Discovery
The Having of Wonderful Ideas
The Responsibility for Learning
Empathy and Caring
Success and Failure
Collaboration and Competition
Diversity and Inclusion
The Natural World
Solitude and Reflection
Service and Compassion