



# The HOWL

*Grass Valley Charter  
An EL Education Mentor  
School*



4/6/18

“We are Crew, Not Passengers.”



## Land Ahoy!

Both seventh grade classes took to the water last week on their journey to become sailors!

Students learned how to rig a boat, tie sailing knots, the principles of sailing and how to right a boat when you flip it! (When being the operative word!)

Students will be working with Adventure Teachers Beth & Ryan, as well as Sac State Aquatic Center Instructors over the next several weeks to become proficient sailors!

Before long they will be launching, following a course, jibing, tacking and sailing up wind!

Sailing builds on the GVCS character traits of Crew, Respect and Stewardship, while also connecting to the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Expedition exploring the Renaissance!

Check back in the coming weeks to keep up to date on the progress of the 7<sup>th</sup> graders in the Parks / Katie / Madeline Crews!



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## Parenting Series Reminder!

### How to Win (without losing your mind) Parenting Series!

We have some amazing supports here at GVCS, including a 6-week Nurtured Heart parenting class taught by our very own counselor, Regina Curry! The Nurtured Heart approach involves noticing kids' strengths and validating their skills. This approach is highly effective both at home and in the classroom, as it has a proven impact on all children, including those who are challenged socially, emotionally and academically. **The six-week session is offered on Mondays, starting April 9.**

Classes meet 4/9 – 5/21 (no meeting on 5/7) from 5:00-7:00 pm in the GVCS Staff Room. The cost is \$25 and includes a book. Please RSVP to Regina via email at [rcurry@gvcsd.us](mailto:rcurry@gvcsd.us) if you'd like to attend.

## Pre School Roundup!

Have a Pre School age student and interested in attending GVCS? Attend the Pre-K roundup on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 1pm.

Please leave the little ones at home, adults only. First lottery draw May 11<sup>th</sup> 2018.

Preschool eligibility, your child must turn 3 years old by September 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 to enroll in the program next Fall.

## Noodles For Knowledge Success!

Thank you to all GVCS community members who showed up to support our 6<sup>th</sup> graders going to Science Camp!

The event was spectacular and big time appreciation going to: Tamara F and the Swing Time Jazz Band for providing sensational tunes and to the Duncan family for their culinary skills!

Thanks to all volunteers and our fearless leaders – Tracey & Elissa!

## Crew 24 Happenings!

Crew 24 is our parent crew at GVCS!

It is also a reference point for families to interact, organize, participate and contribute to further enrich our school community!

### **How?**

Crew 24 hosts events & chats to educate, inform and collect feedback.

Past meetings have been spectacular! And have included learning more about the school district needs, and potential “GO” Bond from Mr. Martinez.

**Our next meeting is**  
**April 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm!**  
**That is tomorrow!**

If you are curious about joining future Crew 24 gathering contact:

Olivia Prichett at  
530 470 3404 or via email at  
[oprichett@gvcsd.us](mailto:oprichett@gvcsd.us) or

Cameron Herzog at  
530 263 3261 or via email at  
[cameron969@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cameron969@sbcglobal.net)  
with any questions.

## Sports Info

### Happening Now!

#### Girls Volleyball:

2/26 – 4/27 season.

Contact Coach Russ for  
more info

[russyokon@msn.com](mailto:russyokon@msn.com)

### Upcoming...

#### Track:

4/10 – 5/26

Coach Regina

**Kudos to all student athletes  
who showed their grit at  
tryouts last week!**

#### Mountain Biking Club

Is underway! Still looking  
for a snack parent...

Contact Mr. E if you are  
feeling like volunteering!

[aezzell@gvsvd.us](mailto:aezzell@gvsvd.us)

#### Boys Basketball...

We are missing a few  
uniforms, you know who  
you are! Please turn them  
in to Mr. E asap.

## Are You Ready For The...



# BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!

[bluemarblejubilee.org](http://bluemarblejubilee.org)

12 - 7pm NC Fairgrounds

**Special Guests:** The Earles of Newtown

Achilles Wheel Trio · Magician Nick Fedoroff

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a fundraiser for Grass Valley Charter School

## Be in the Know!

4/13 Pre School Round Up 1pm

4/23 School in Session (was a snow make-up day)

4/27 Talent Show @ 9:00 in the MPR

5/12 Blue Marble Jubilee at the Fairgrounds!

5/25 School in Session (was a snow make-up day)

5/31 Celebration of Learning (aka Open House)

## Let's Hear It for the Coyotes!



Well if this past week of Track try outs are any indicator, it is going to be another amazing year for the GVCS Track Team!

Coach Curry was amazed how brilliantly the kids showed up, gave maximum effort and let he know what "tenacious little track beasts they are!"

Y'all are making us proud! Keep up the great work!

## Now that is Perseverance!

Rachel's Crew strapped on those snowshoes and took to the snow around the Donner Summit area to show the world what perseverance looks like!

On top of that, they also had a grand time building crew!

Much appreciation to the brave parents who took to the snow!



## Foundation Focus

### Value Cards!

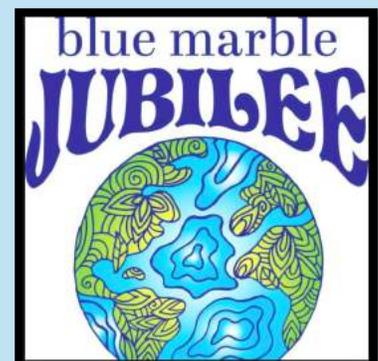
Please remember to buy/sell the two value cards that your family received at Student Led Conferences. All dollars raised from this fantastic fundraiser go directly back to your classrooms to support implementing EL Education – and you save big at your favorite local businesses! It's a win – win!

Cards are \$20 each and are good through 12/31/2018.

The car that sells the most will receive an amazing class party!

In the IMPOSSIBLE event that you are unable to sell your two cards, please return them so that we have the opportunity to sell them. Thank you for your ongoing support of GVCS!

**Save the Date! Blue Marble Jubilee, May 12<sup>th</sup>, Nevada**



## 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