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*Grass Valley Charter
An EL Education Mentor
School*



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“We are Crew, Not Passengers.”



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Digging into Fossils!

This past week second graders got their hands dirty as they tried their hand at being archeologists!

Students got to discover their very own fossils as they excavated their mini dig.

Tiny dinosaur fossils were discovered and shared with buddies in the Kindergarten crews, much to their delight!

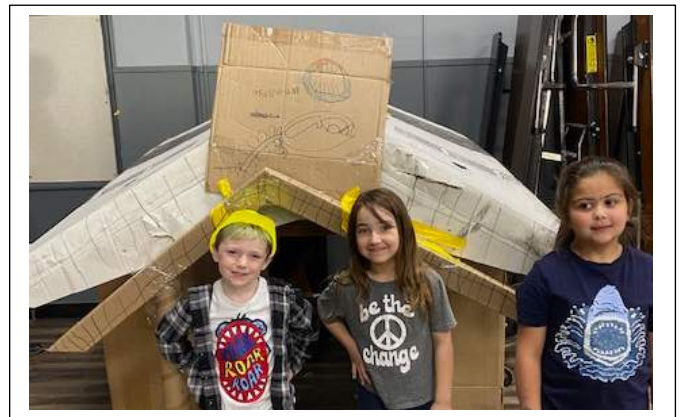
Students participated in a rotation where they got to excavate, yep ... you got it... dinosaur scat! Always a crowd pleaser.

With luck, a few new paleontologists were born!



Community Building Day in First Grade!

First graders are studying what makes a community, a community! Showing their handwork, they (with significant assistance from a huge number of awesome parents – Thank you!!!) built their version of a perfect community – complete with the Vet (they treat giraffes, crabs, dogs and birds to name a few critters), the Library, a Museum, the Fire Department and of course... Ice Cream!



Got Spirit?

The last Friday of the month we have our Spirit Days! For those that want to stock up on glitter and hairspray in advance... (nope, we are not that mean...) here is the plan!

February 24th – Twin Day!

April 28th – Unicorn Day (Yep, you read that correctly!)

June 9th – Anything but a Backpack Day

March 31st – Crazy Hair Day

May 26th – Crazy Sock Day

Like Volunteering In The Classroom? Why Not Get Paid?

GVCS is currently seeking an aide for 7th grade! Interested? Check out the posting on www.edjoin.org and search for #22-27 Instructional Aide I/II

In addition, we are always looking for additional substitute aides in all grade levels! If you are interested in either opportunity, please reach out to Mr. E for more information (aezzell@gvsd.us).

Have A Green Finger?

Do you have a penchant for dreaming big, getting your hands dirty, and bringing those dreams to reality? Do you love teaching kids about science? Gardening? Farming? Does the moment a child pulls a carrot out of the soil and smiles, make you smile?

GVCS is currently seeking a Garden Teacher for the Outdoor Science Garden!

Check out www.edjoin.org and search for #22-28 Charter Garden Coordinator for more info.

Sports!

Boys Basketball: Open to 6th – 8th graders, the season runs from 1/2 - 2/24

Contact Coach Ben Murphy with questions: b-bmurphy@att.net

Come support the boys in their last game before the Tournament – 2/16 at 4pm at Ready Springs.

Girls Volleyball: Open to 6th – 8th graders, the season runs from 2/20 – 4/21

Girls Volleyball Skills Clinic this Thursday, 2/16 from 6-8pm at the Scotten Gym

Girls Volleyball Tryouts 2/21 & 2/22 from 6-8pm at the Scotten Gym.

8th grade Head Coach: Eli Bottrell & Assistant Coach Tanya Telford

7th grade Head Coach: Markus Moore & Assistant Coach Tanya Telford

Contact Tanya with questions at redwood_coast@sbcglobal.net

Track: Open to 4th – 8th graders, the season runs from 3/27 – 5/26

Spring Mountain Bike Season: Open to 4th – 8th graders (younger with coach permission) the season runs from 3/27 – 5/26 (NCAL).

Questions about Sports at GVCS can be directed to Mr. E at aezzell@gvsd.us

Be In The Know

2/20 – President's Day – No School

2/24 – Spirit Day – Twin Day!

3/3 – Middle School Winter Formal Dance

4/3 – 4/7 – Spring Break – No School

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