



MISSION: GVCS shall champion education, a healthy lifestyle and community involvement by incorporating resources to inspire and empower all to be successful in life.

VISION: GVCS will achieve global recognition as a model for innovative learning and excellence.

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Homecoming 2019



Genesee Valley held its' annual Homecoming Weekend on September 27th & 28th, preceded by Spirit Week September 23rd-27th. To start off the weekend activities, students gathered in the HS gym on Friday for a pep rally, including tug of war against different classes, ending with the senior class vs faculty. Several events took place including soccer games, volleyball matches, alumni soccer game, Wall of Fame Induction Ceremony, and Homecoming Dance. Class/Club tents with fun activities were available...Kiss a pig, pie in the face, etc. Thank you to everyone who made this weekend a big success!



Homecoming King: Cody Schneider
Homecoming Queen: Matsatso Abulashvili



MS Prince: Cole Fleming
MS Princess: Molly Hannon

The Junior Class of 2021 would like to thank everyone who helped make "Kiss the Pig" a great success!



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Dr. Brian Schmitt,
Superintendent

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FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Genesee Valley Community,

Over the past eight years, the Board of Education charged the district to become more community focused with the ultimate goal of becoming the “hub” of the communities. I sincerely believe that the purpose of a school is to build future citizens who are able to excel in and contribute to society. Genesee Valley CSD builds great citizens through a rigorous academic program and a wide variety of support programs.

As we prepare to open the Genesee Valley Innovation Center and Community Fitness Center, I would like to share with you some of the many supports we have available to families:



- GVCS is a Community Eligibility School that offers free breakfast, lunch and snack to all students.
- GVCS offers free after school and summer enrichment programs that focus on improving academics, physical activity and provides a structured, safe environment for students. Activities include Lego League, Girls on the Run, Ski Club and Fitness Club. For more information, please contact Stacy Schmidt at (585) 258-7940
- GVCS collaborates with Mobile Telemed and Mosaic Health to provide telemedicine and dental care to students. We currently have 220 students enrolled in the new Telemed services and will begin tele-psychiatry services soon
- GVCS, with the financial support of the Genesee Valley Teachers Association, provides backpacks of food for families who are in need. Counseling staff also connects families in need with community resources to provide additional food, needed shelter and household items.

If you have any questions or are in need of any of the above services, please contact the Guidance Office at (585) 268-7937. I am very excited about the upcoming grand opening of the GV Innovation Center and the Community Fitness Center.

I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Dr. Brian Schmitt
Superintendent, Genesee Valley CSD

Stay Tuned for Closings and Delays

GVCS will use the School Messenger phone system to notify parents with a recorded phone call, when school is closed or delayed. The district uses student information in Power School, student information software. If your phone number recently changed, please contact Denise Baker at (585) 268-7937 or e-mail dbaker@genvalley.org with changes.



We also announce closings and delays on TV Channels 2, 4, 7 and Spectrum, along with local radio stations: WZKZ 101.9 FM, WLSV 790 AM, WJQZ 103.5 FM and WPIG 95.7

Genesee Valley Central School

NEW EMPLOYEES WELCOMED TO GVCS



Nancy Brown is a new Teacher Aide at Genesee Valley. She currently resides in Belmont with her husband Joshua, sons Coltin, Jaden and Sawyer. Mrs. Brown received her Associates Degree from Macomb Community College in Medical Assisting. She previously was a stay at home mom, she worked at Rite Aid Pharmacy as a Pharmacy Tech and Nicholson's Pharmacy. Nancy writes: "I've worked as a substitute teacher/teacher aide, long term sub for 2 years. I am excited to be a part of the GVCS team full-time." Her hobbies/interests are reading, spending time with family, occasionally working on the family farm.

Amy Halbert is our new Cafeteria Cook here at GV. She currently resides in Angelica with her husband Dustin. Mrs. Halbert received her Associates Degree from Alfred State College in Business Management. For 3 years she worked at Metz Culinary Management as a Retail Supervisor and also assisted with catering. During the maple season she works at Cartwright's Maple Tree Inn. Amy writes: "I am happy to be working at GV and excited to see so many familiar faces." Her hobbies/interests are kayaking, cookouts with family and helping out on the family farm.



Racheal Winterhalter returned to Genesee Valley as a Teacher Aide. She currently resides in Angelica with her husband and 2 children. She previously worked at Pepsi and Genesee Valley Central School. Racheal writes: "I am so glad to be back! I truly missed working here!"



Dixie Scott is a Maintenance/Cleaner at Genesee Valley. She currently resides in Belmont. The mother of three wonderful sons - Scott, Matthew and Thomas Hurd, and two beautiful grandchildren, Zayda & Juelien. Ms. Scott previously worked at the American House & Hotel; Eastwind Landscape & Nursery; and Landscape & Spaces. Dixie writes: "I am very grateful to be employed full time at GV." Her hobbies/interests are gardening, nature, crochet, crafts, music and animals.

Donna Coombes is a Teacher Aide at Genesee Valley. She is a lifelong resident of Angelica. Ms. Coombes previously worked in the Health & Wellness Center at Alfred State College. Donna writes: "I am so excited for this new employment opportunity. It's not only a great place to work but I will also get to see my grandchildren grow and develop their minds here. I look forward to working with all the students and teachers at GVCS." Her hobbies/interests are spending time with family, especially the grandbabies, gardening, horseback riding and kayaking, reading and recreational activities.



NEW EMPLOYEES WELCOMED TO GVCS



Payton Watson is a new Teacher Aide. At the end of last year she served as a long term substitute for a teacher aide position at GV. She currently resides in Belmont. Payton went to school for Esthetics and is now a licensed Esthetician. Payton writes: "I am an alumni of Genesee Valley and so excited to be back here working with so many wonderful people and kids."

Mackenzie Morehouse is a new Teacher Aide. At the end of last year she served as a long term substitute for a teacher aide position at GV, and has previously worked with "Summer Fun in the Jungle" as a substitute teacher aide. Mackenzie received her Associates Degree from Alfred State College in Social Science, and is currently working on her Bachelor's Degree in Social Work from Grand Canyon University. She currently resides in Belmont. Mackenzie writes: "I am an alumni of GV and very excited to continue working here."



Breanna Waite is a Teacher Aide at Genesee Valley. She currently lives in Whitesville with her parents and younger brother and sister. Breanna previously worked with BOCES for 3 years as a one on one aide. She received her Associates Degree from Corning Community College in Science. Her hobbies/interests are reading, watching movies, playing video games, spending time with family and friends, and her cat Mika.

Jessica Raney is a Teacher Aide at Genesee Valley. She graduated from GVCS in 2000 and has worked as a Teacher's Aide the last 2 years at GV through CA BOCES. Jessica is also a licensed security guard. She resides in Wellsville with her wife Nicole and two daughters. Her hobbies include reading, coloring, and spending time with her family. Jessica enjoys working with students and knowing she can make a difference. She's excited to be working at her Alma Mater.



SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS DINNER DECEMBER 10TH

The annual Christmas concert and dinner to honor our district's senior citizens is scheduled for Tuesday, December 10th. The concert is presented by the high school band and choir and will start at 4:00 p.m. in the GVCS Auditorium. The dinner will take place in the school cafeteria immediately following the concert. School guides will also be available at the front doors to assist our special guests in getting to the auditorium and cafeteria.

Visitors are asked not to arrive before 3:30 p.m. so that parking space is available.

We also request that only senior citizens living in the GVCS district attend.

For reservations, please call Pam Winterhalter at (585) 268-7909 by Monday, December 2nd. We look forward to sharing this evening with you.



FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

SAT and ACT Exams - Any Seniors or Juniors considering going to college should take one or both of these tests. These exams are seen equally by colleges. Some two year schools do not require either and give an Accuplacer exam. Please check with Mrs. Preston before registering.

Test fees are \$46.00 for ACT and \$49.50 for the SAT. Late fees are applied if registering after deadline. Registration sheets and access to the internet to register can be obtained in the Guidance office. There are fee waivers available.

Seniors/Guardians of Seniors - Applications for colleges should be completed by the end of November. A reminder that all scholarships will be on Mrs. Preston's website (the mailboxes are not being used anymore).

PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) - The PSAT was offered to Sophomores on Wednesday, October 16, 2019. Results will be available in December.

Students Interested in the Military - The ASVAB will be offered to any interested students on January 8th at 8am. Please contact Josie Preston in Guidance at 585-268-7928 for further questions/concerns.



GVCS would like to recognize Kohl Kozlowski for representing GV at the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership (HOBY) summit this past summer. Kohl writes "HOBY was life-changing for me. It helped me grow as a person. I am a much more confident person that has gained many leadership skills." Nice job Kohl!

National Testing Dates for SAT and ACT Exams for 2019-20

SAT Test Date	Registration deadline	Late Registration deadline
December 7, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 26, 2019
March 14, 2020	February 14, 2020	March 3, 2020
May 2, 2020	April 3, 2020	April 21, 2020
June 6, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 27, 2020
ACT Test Date	Registration deadline	Late Registration deadline
December 14, 2019	November 8, 2019	November 22, 2019
April 4, 2020	February 28, 2020	March 13, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 22, 2020

Messages from our Exchange Students!



Hi my name is Sina Burdelak from Germany. I am staying with Fred and Jocia Mellinger. My interests include dancing, art and photography. Besides that, I enjoy playing volleyball, which I started at GV. I like to travel and to learn about other cultures as well as meet new people. In addition, I am part of the high school student government and the LOTE club.

Hi my name is Majd Alefrangi from Palestine. I am staying with Kelli and Katie Bartlett. My interests include soccer and volleyball. I love reading, volunteering and trying new things. I also love computers and programing. While at GVCS, I am part of the school government and LOTE club.

Hi my name is Matsatso Abulashvili from the Country of Georgia. I am also staying with Fred and Jocia Mellinger. My interests include photography, star names, mythology, science and animals. I love reading, writing and drawing. I've danced Georgian national dances for 7 years, and I am currently playing soccer. I enjoy volunteering and helping people. I am part of the high school government here at GVCS.



GVCS would like to recognize Cameron Middaugh, Austin Ford, and Spencer Drake, for participating in Boys State this past summer. Congratulations! Thank you to the Angelica and Belmont Legions for financing the experience!





The 2019-2020 school year is off to an exciting start! Our soccer, volleyball and newly formed cross-country teams have experienced thrilling victories as well as a few heartbreaking defeats. We welcomed three new foreign exchange students to our school community. We had a fun-filled week of spirit days during the last week of September to celebrate Homecoming, capped off with a 7-12 dance, class activities and athletic events.

Looking ahead, Parent/Teacher conferences for grades 7-12 will be held **Thursday, November 7th from 3:15-5:00pm and 5:30-7:00pm in the teachers' classrooms.** Please make every effort to attend, meet your child's teachers, and hear about the great things they are doing in each one of their classes. I look forward to seeing you there!

As we settle into fall and look forward to the fast approaching holiday season, I am filled with gratitude for the Genesee Valley school community. I am thankful for the students, faculty and community members who make up our district. Thank you for the part you play in making our community a wonderful place to live, learn, and grow!

With gratitude,
Mrs. Donlon
7-12 Principal

GV MEDITERRANEAN TOUR
APRIL 8-16, 2020

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

Veteran's Recognition Concert:

Genesee Valley would like to invite everyone to a special Veteran's Recognition Concert at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6th. The High School Band is excited to recognize the veterans with a musical tribute. Please come and support this musical celebration.

Winter Concerts:

- ★ *Thursday, December 5*
 - 6:15 p.m. – Gr. K-2
 - 7:15 p.m. – Gr. 3-4
- ★ *Tuesday, December 10*
 - 4:00 p.m. – Senior Citizens
Concert & Dinner
 - 6:30 p.m. – High School
- ★ *Thursday, December 12*
 - 6:30 p.m. – Gr. 5-8

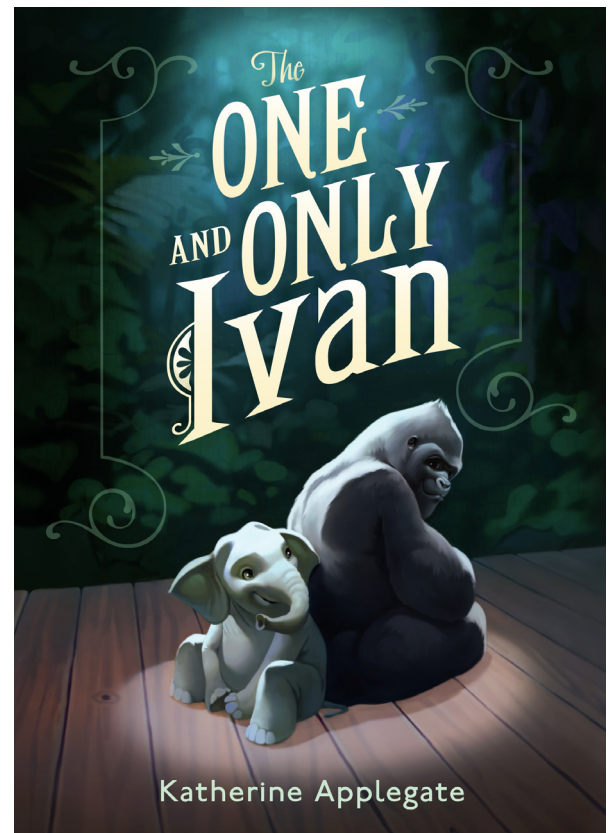
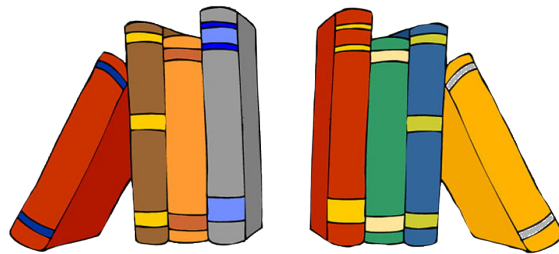


ONE BOOK: ONE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

By Megan Retchless and Nicole Norasethaporn

On November 13, 2019, we will be celebrating the end of our One Book: One Community Project on *The One and Only Ivan*, by Katherine Applegate. This will take place from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. We will be providing circus-themed food, games (with prizes), and crafts! We will also "Zoom" in with a JASON Project Scientist, Shauhin Alavi. She will be presenting on two of the animals that are characters in the book. There will be local businesses, teachers, and students involved as well.

Please come celebrate with us!



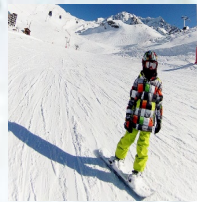
GVC'S SKI CLUB at Swain Ski Resort

Grades 5-12

Skiing



Snow Boarding



OR

FREE LESSONS! FREE RENTALS!

TUESDAY'S: 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4 and 2/11

**All students must complete a Medical Form,
Helmet Policy and Rental Agreement
prior to attending!**

**For more information or forms,
please see Mrs. Schmidt
in Room 1432 or call (585) 268-7940**

Alma Mater

*As the years may come
and then go by, we will
always think of thee,
and in our hearts
forevermore, we will sing
this melody:*

(refrain)

*Proudly stands our
banner strong and true,
for the green and black
and white
it forever stands for
victory, and for hope and
love and life.*

*Forever shall our Alma
Mater stand for Genesee,
while ringing through
the valley hills, of our
pride and loyalty.*



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- Thursday, November 7 – Parent/Teacher Conferences:
Grades PK-6.....NO School
Grades 7-12.....Attend FULL Day of School
- Friday, November 8 – **School Closed**
- Monday, November 11 – **Veteran's Day Observed – School Closed**
- Tuesday, November 26 – 1:00 p.m. - All Students Dismissed
- Wednesday, November 27 – Friday, November 29 - **Thanksgiving Break – School Closed**
- Monday, December 23 - Friday, January 3 – **Christmas Break/New Year's Holiday**
– **School Closed**
(Students return Monday, January 6, 2020)

CHARACTER WORDS OF THE MONTH

NOVEMBER - GRATITUDE:

Gratitude is to show that you are thankful for what others have done for you.

DECEMBER - COMPASSION:

Compassion is having sympathy and concern for sufferings or misfortunes of others. When you have learned compassion for yourself, compassion for others is automatic.



Fitness Activities Offered at GVCS

Cardio, Core, Strength & More –

*Mondays and Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.,
Saturdays at 8:30 a.m.*

– Instructor Pat Presutti, Call 716-860-8287 for information.

Open Indoor Walking Track –

*Weekdays 7-8 am, 5-8 pm
(except during athletic contests & holidays)*



FALL FESTIVAL AT GVCS

The GVCS PTO will be holding our annual Fall Festival for our students and their families on November 6th from 5:30pm-7:00pm. We will have hayrides, games, crafts and food. We are currently working on getting the "Operation Safe Child" through the Sheriff's office to be here again this year. To join us for a fall fun filled evening we ask that each person bring one non-perishable food item that will be donated to a local food pantry. As always we look forward to seeing all of our wonderful families for a great evening of fun!

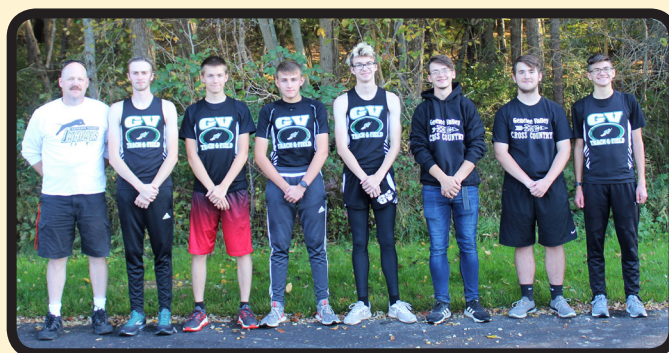
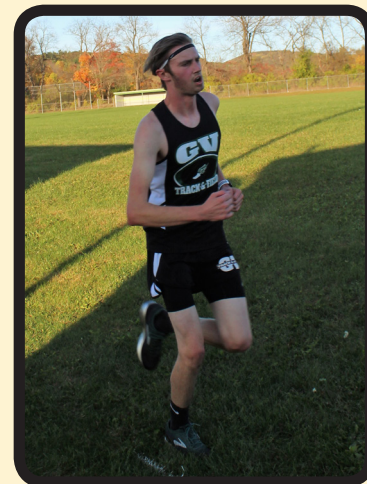


FALL SPORTS BANQUET

The GVCS Fall Sports Banquet will be held on Tuesday, November 5th at 6:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria. Coaches from volleyball, soccer and cross country teams will give updates on their teams' season and handout awards. The Sports Boosters are asking each athlete to provide a dessert. We hope to see you there!

NEW TO GENESEE VALLEY - CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

The Genesee Valley Cross Country team completed the dual meet portion of the schedule with the first home cross-country meet in the school's history. The team competed against Cuba-Rushford and Whitesville. The wins bring GV's regular season record to 18 wins and 14 losses. The team is comprised of 7 young men who compete twice a week in 5000m races (about 3.1 miles each). They have competed in 10 such events so far, so they have run well over 100 miles this fall if practices are included. The members of the team are Jon Rizzo, Gavin Hand, Gibson Shannon, Austin Ford, Trevor Mullen, Kaden Layman, and an athlete from Houghton Academy, Zach Tucker. Since this is the cross-country team's inaugural season, they want to thank all those who have supported and encouraged them this year including the GV administration, our athletic director and especially the parents.



PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2019

PK3 – 6th Grades

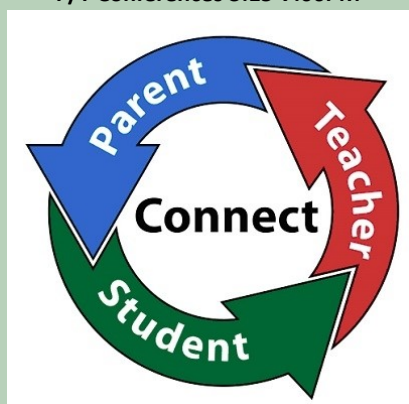
8:00AM — 7:00PM

NO ELEMENTARY (PK3-6th)

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

7th-12th Grades (Normal Student Day)

P/T Conferences 3:15-7:00PM



PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES NOV. 7

Elementary:

8:00am – 7:00pm

By appointment

– Meet in teacher's classroom

5:00pm – 5:30pm

Break for dinner

Grades 7-12:

8:00am – 3:00pm

3:15pm – 5:00pm

Regular day of school

Meetings in teacher's classroom

5:00pm – 5:30pm

5:30pm – 7:00pm

Break for dinner

Resume parent/teacher meetings in teacher's classroom



November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	CHARACTER WORD OF THE MONTH - GRATITUDE	PLEASE NOTE - SPORTS SCHEDULES WILL BE ON GV WEB-SITE			1 -12-8pm-Jr.High Area All State Music Festival Rehearsal at Hornell	2 -SAT Test (register by 10/3) -2pm-Jr.High Area All State Music Festival Concert at Hornell
3	4 -Picture Retake Day -5:30pm-Academic Honors Dinner, America Hotel in Angelica	5 -Allegany County Board of Elections hold vote in pool vestibule -6pm - Fall Sports Banquet in the Cafeteria	6 -6:30pm Veterans Recognition Concert	7 -Parent-Teacher Conferences -Only Gr. 7-12 attend (full day) -NO School Gr. PK-6	8 -School Closed -Last day to register for 12/7 SAT Test -Last day to register for 12/14 ACT Test	9
10	11 -School Closed - Veteran's Day Observed	12 -3:05pm MS/HS Faculty Meeting, Rm. 1121 -Winter Modified/JV/Varsity Sports Practices Begin	13 -3:05pm Elementary Faculty Meeting, Rm. 1121	14	15 12-8pm-Sr.High Area All State Music Festival Rehearsal at Corning	16 -2pm-Sr.High Area All State Music Festival Concert at Corning
17	18 -5:30pm-Board of Education Meeting, Rm. 1121	19	20	21 -M.S. Youth & Government	22 -M.S. Youth & Government	23 -M.S. Youth & Government
24	25	26 -1:00pm All Students Dismissed	27 School Closed - Thanksgiving Break	28 School Closed - Happy Thanksgiving!	29 School Closed - Thanksgiving Break	30

GENESEE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOLS December 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 PLEASE NOTE - SPORTS SCHEDULES WILL BE ON GV WEB-SITE	3	4	5 -6:15pm-Gr. K-2 Winter Concert -7:15pm-Gr. 3-4 Winter Concert	6 -SAT Test (register by 11/8)
8	9	10 -3:05pm MS/HS Faculty Mtg., Rm. 1121 -4pm-Senior Citizens Concert & Dinner -6:30pm-High School Winter Concert	11 -3:05pm Elementary Faculty Mtg., LGI Rm.	12 -6:30pm-Gr. 5-8 Winter Concert	13 -Progress reports available online/mailed home, Gr. 5-12	14 -ACT Test (register by 11/8)
15	16 -5:30pm-Board of Education Meeting, Rm. 1121	17	18	19	20 -8:30am-Gr. 5-8 Spelling Bee	21
22	23 -School Closed - Christmas-New Year's Holiday Break	24 -School Closed - Christmas-New Year's Holiday Break	25 -School Closed - MERRY CHRISTMAS!	26 -School Closed - Christmas-New Year's Holiday Break	27 -School Closed - Christmas-New Year's Holiday Break	28
29	30 -School Closed - Christmas-New Year's Holiday Break	31 -School Closed - Christmas-New Year's Holiday Break	CHARACTER WORD OF THE MONTH - COMPASSION			



GENESEE VALLEY AUTHOR!

By Kellie Schmidt



Did you know that Genesee Valley has their very own author? Yes, Ms. Kristin Buchholz. She visited the 2nd graders and narrated her book that she created. Her father was digging for a pond, and found some unusually large bones! Guess what? It was a Mastodon! It required four men to remove it from the ground. It was such an amazing discovery that Ms. Buchholz was inspired to create a picture book; “The Bloomfield Mastodon”. We thank you for sharing your story and adding new information to our Fossil STEAM project.



THANK YOU BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS!

School Board Recognition Week

Observed Oct. 21st – 25th

School board members take on one of the most important citizen responsibilities – overseeing the education of the community’s youth. Boards of Education guide their local school systems and ensure public schools are flexible and responsive to the needs of the community. School Boards are comprised of volunteers, who do not receive any compensation for their service. They are individuals within the community who dedicate their time to improving public education.

With children their primary focus, school board members:

- Create a shared vision for the future of education
- Set the direction of the school district to achieve the highest student performance
- Provide accountability for student achievement results
- Develop a budget and present it to the community
- Align district resources to improve achievement
- Support a healthy school district culture in which to work and to learn

Board members complete mandatory courses for Board membership. They attend GVCS Board meetings, committee meetings, NYS School Boards Association meetings/conventions, Allegany County School Boards Association meetings and various school events. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Board of Education for their dedication to our school: Tim Hand, President; Amy Werner, Vice-President; Josh Shannon, Fred Grusendorf, Donald Baker, Heath Gordon and Bev Evans.





GENESEE VALLEY MEDIA NETWORK EXPANDS!

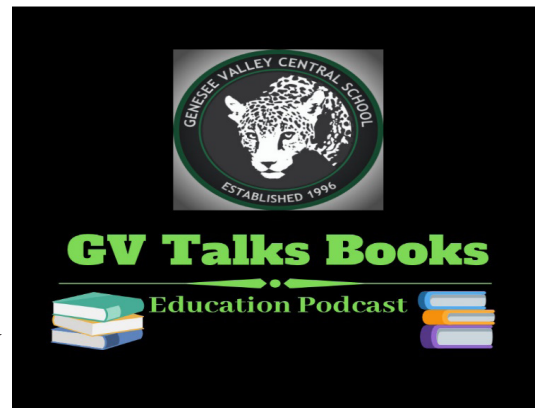
Genesee Valley is proud to announce that it has expanded its media network! In addition to the GV Talks Sports Podcast, there is now also a GV Talks STEAM Podcast and GV Talks Books Podcast.

GV Talks STEAM will feature the dynamic lessons our teachers are completing with their classes through the STEAM philosophy (Science, Social Studies, Technology, Engineering, ELA, Arts, Math, and Music, and our amazing elective courses). The first episode featured Adison Grusendorf and her journey to becoming a nationally, if not globally, recognized writer through Book Creator with the STEAM8 program led by Donna Slawson, Kelley McGinnis, and Mark Levine.

GV Talks Books will be highlighting all things literacy in the GV district. The podcast will cover literature

studies, updates in the library, and the literacy celebrations that occur throughout the year. Currently, episodes have highlighted the wonderful One Book One Community book read of "The One And Only Ivan" by Katherine Applegate. Episodes have highlighted students from 2nd grade through High School discussing the chapters that we as the community have been enjoying. Episodes have also included Nicole Norasethaporn and Megan Retchless who began this amazing book read!

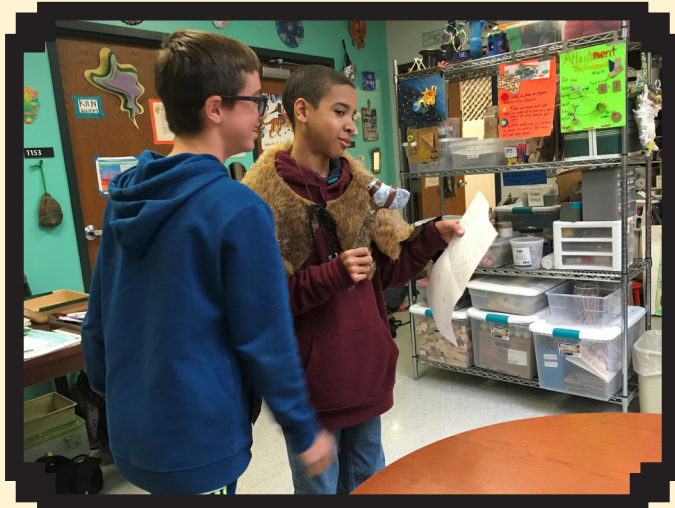
To access all three of the districts podcasts, you can find links on the new Genesee Valley Media Page as well as the podcast apps that our shows are on, such as Apple Podcasts or Spotify. You can access this page by going to www.Genvally.org and scrolling down past the quick links. We hope you tune into all the podcasts in the GV network to hear the wonderful opportunities our students are experiencing in Sports, STEAM, and literacy!



THE BIG DIG: A COLLABORATION BETWEEN 7TH & 2ND GRADE STUDENTS.

By Kristin Buchholz

Our 7th grade students have been working diligently in the Art room to create visual maps and a 3-dimensional archeological dig site for our 2nd grade students to explore. On October 18th the 7th graders guided our visiting 2nd graders through a Prehistoric museum display. They saw and heard presentations about the Neolithic revolution when early human beings discovered farming and changed the course of history. Then they became archeologists and excavate two sand pits filled with handmade artifacts to discover and document their findings.



ELEMENTARY CLASS AND BUTTERFLIES!

By Michelle Zlomek

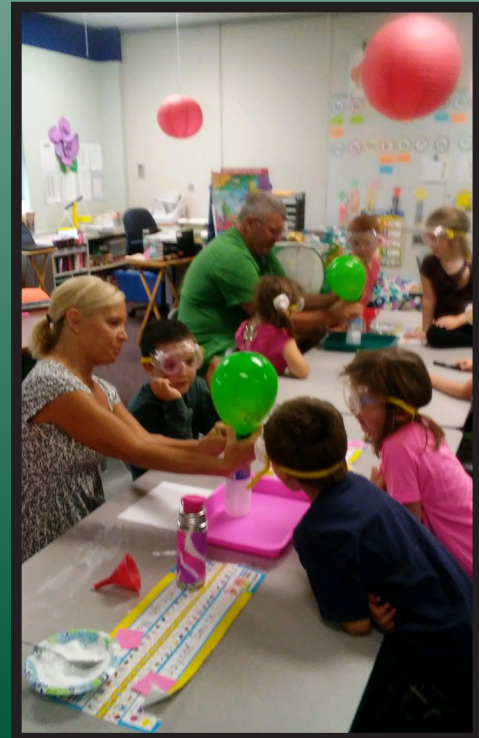
One of our favorite things to do in Kindergarten is to have caterpillars in our classroom and watch them grow! This year we had 16 monarch caterpillars. We observed them turn into a chrysalis and then into monarch butterflies. It was so much fun watching them fly off as we released them. It's actually quite magical. The class thought it might be fun to see if we could create our own STEM Challenge to turn caterpillars into butterflies. With the help of Mr. Ed, Mr. Zlomek and Ms. Coombes, we did just that. We drew butterflies and caterpillars on green balloons, then measured vinegar into a plastic container. Next, they filled the balloon with baking soda and attached the balloon to the plastic container. Finally, we watched as our caterpillars turned into butterflies. We were so excited that we were able to make our butterflies grow!



The Elementary Student Council is comprised of both 5th and 6th grade leaders ready to make an impact and help support the growth of our school with advisor Mrs. Emrich. They are inspired and proactively ready to be the voice of the elementary student body and contribute to creating fun activities for learning opportunities. Every member wants to support and serve their fellow students here at Genesee Valley!

Our 2019-2020 Elementary Student Council Officers are:

- ~ Co-President: Whitney Young and Addison Bradt
- ~ Co-Vice President: Nolan Hunter and Trenton Whitsell
- ~ Co-Treasurer: Logan Rice and Kayla Wedge
- ~ Co-Secretary: Tristan Metatos and Kylee Christensen
- ~ Co-Class Representatives: Mason Fanton and Addison Middaugh



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Any questions or concerns, please contact:

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Cre 2



Cre 3



Cre 4

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STEP 3: ADD ICONS* FOR \$3.50 EACH

***IMPORTANT:** To add icons, you must first purchase personalization in Step 2.

Enter the 4-digit icon code from the chart below into the boxes provided.

Icon 1:

Icon 2:

Icon 3:

Icon 4:

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5238	5239	5019	9050	5015	5240	5022	5982	5001
5002	5003	5004	5005	5006	5008	5009	5010	5130
5582	5583	5584	5585	5980	5981	5586	9001	9007
9025	9006	5013	5014	5258	5241	5360	5242	5025
5592	5362	5363	5364	5365	5247	5587	5588	5589
5590	9042	9051	5023	5255	5256	5257	5012	5366
5367	5253	5018	5021	5591	9036	9037		

If you have questions, please call Customer Service at 1-877-767-5217.



STEP 4: ENTER YOUR INFORMATION AND TOTAL YOUR ORDER

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

ID#: _____

Homeroom: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Contact Email: _____

	Price	Quantity	Total
Enter Your Package Price			
Personalization	\$6.00		
Icon(s) ea.	\$3.50 x QTY		
Autograph Section	\$3.00		
Clear Protective Cover	\$3.50		
Subtotal			
Tax	8.5%		
TOTAL			

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GVCS URGENT CARE

Ms. Pratt and Mrs. George's exam room got a makeover to help students, faculty and staff feel a little bit more comfortable during their Telemedical appointment! The Urgent Care can treat multiple illnesses such as; ear infections, strep throat, sinus infections, the flu, UTI's, and more. Once the doctor has made a diagnosis, an electronic prescription can be sent to your local pharmacy and Mobile Telemed will process your insurance for billing. Over 220 people are signed up and it's not too late to return consent forms to Anne Campbell. Forms are available at any of the school offices and can also be found online at www.genvalley.org.

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Community Flu Clinic!
(Ages 3 and up)

**VOTE
AND
VAX**

Flu & Pneumonia shots
Tuesday, November 5th

Sponsored by:
Wegmans
pharmacy

Where: GVCS
1 Jaguar Drive
Belmont, NY
(Rear Parking Lot)

Time: 3:00- 7:00pm
Bring insurance info



Broccoli and carrots and corn, oh my!

It's Farm to School month and we are busy celebrating! Students have been consuming a variety of local (NY) produce, meat, and dairy products. The boys' varsity soccer team husked over 2200 ears of corn, which was a big help to the cafeteria staff. Looking ahead, the after-school program will be making and taste testing a variety of hazelnut and chestnuts that were harvested here in Belmont. Dr. Potts, a retired dentist, has a beautiful nut orchard that he has been so kind to share with us. We are excited to try out some recipes!



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for information on sex offenders living in the GVCS District

NEW MEMBERS JOIN THE WALL OF FAME

On Saturday, September 28th, the Class of 2019 Genesee Valley Central School Wall of Fame was inducted during a brunch ceremony held in the cafeteria. It was a great opportunity for old friends and athletes to reconnect and reminisce.

The following people were inducted: Erika Lewis, Belmont Central / GVCS Class of 1998; Erich Zlomek, GVCS Class of 2004; Robert Sandlas, Jr., GVCS Class of 1999; Larry Woodruff, Jr. Belmont Central Class of 1992; Martin Kane, Angelica Central Class of 1978; the 1976-77 Angelica Girls Basketball Team. The team won the Section V Class D Basketball Championship. As the program reads, "This is certainly a memory that lasts a lifetime, and within a small community, everyone is a part of the victory and celebration". Plaques will be on display in the trophy hallway at GVCS and each individual was given a plaque. If you would like to view the program, you can find it on our GV website: www.genvalley.org. Thank you to the family and friends that attended this event to recognize these deserving individuals.



Back Row - Left to Right - Kathy Palmer Middaugh, Sherri Ross Presutti, Tracy Beckwith Perkins, Pat Aronson, Mary Palmer Scholla, Terri Ross, Jeaneane Dyke Finnemore, Judy Foreman Horton
Front Row - Left to Right - Rob Sandlas, Jr., Joan Weinman - accepting for Erich Zlomek, Janet Ives - accepting for Larry Woodruff, Jr, Erika Lewis, Marty Kane

Members of the 1976-1977 Sectional Champion basketball team that were unable to attend were Vickie Kenyon Koons, Rhonda Perry Murphy, Robin Dell Clark, Suzie Perry Domer, and Cindy Spinks Faulkner

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For a GVCS staff listing, events calendar, details regarding community use of district facilities and other helpful information, please visit us online.