

# Paradise Fire Victims

## “Book Drive for Kids”



NCC is joining with other local schools to help Paradise schools. We have been in contact with the principals of the five schools in Paradise that were destroyed during the Camp Fire. In talking with these principals, and hearing of their needs, we have decided to host a book drive for the children who have lost their homes, as well as their schools, in the Camp Fire. We are collecting new books for children in any grade, Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup>.

Please do not wrap your book but we do encourage you to add an inscription of hope and friendship on the inside of the book. (Please keep the messages non-denominational.) You can address the inscription: “To My Friend” or any other way that seems appropriate to the situation.

If you’d like to write something in the book, but are not sure what, here are some sample quotes that send a message of hope and friendship:

“Of all possessions a friend is the most precious.”-Herodotus

“A friend is what the heart needs all the time.”- Henry Van Dyke

“A friend is a gift you give yourself.” - Robert Louis Stevenson

“Friendship is a sheltering tree.” - Samuel Taylor Coleridge

You, of course, are not required to use any of the above quotes and are welcome to write your own heartfelt message.

The Paradise school principals also felt gift cards would be of use to their families. They suggested gift cards for:

**Gas:** (Valero, Chevron, Mobil, 76)

**Grocery Stores:** Costco, WinCo, Safeway, Raley’s, Wal-Mart

**Dept. Stores:** Target, Wal-Mart, Amazon

If you choose to donate to the children and families affected by the Camp Fire, kindly bring your donated books and/or gift cards to our School Office by the end of the day Monday, December 10. The books and cards will be delivered to the temporary school sites in Chico and Oroville later that week.