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ZCS Blue Note

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The Week Ahead

School Board Update:

- * Visit from Cal DeKuiper, Superintendent of ZPS. Thankful for partnership with ZPS. Mr. McAboy attended ZPS board meeting in October.
- * Board Leadership Transition: Brian VandenBrink to step down from Board President in January, 2018; finishing his term this summer; thank you for service and leadership. Chad Geenen to assume Presidency beginning in January. Chris Lamer to Finance chair in January.

Philippines Student Sponsorship: Are you interested in blessing a student in the Philippines with a Christian education this year? **We still have 15 kids** at our sister school in the Philippines who are in need of a sponsor this year. **Are you willing to be one of those sponsors?** The sponsorship price is \$450 for a full sponsorship, but we have partial sponsorships available too for \$300 and \$150. If you're interested, please contact Tom Joustra at tjoustra@zcs.org, and he will get you matched up. **Note to current sponsors:** Please pay your annual sponsorship this week.

Ski Club: ZCS Ski Club forms are available [online](#) and in the school office. We travel to Bittersweet on several Friday nights each winter. Even though our Friday night trips are for middle school students only, ZCS families may also sign up for Ski Club and enjoy reduced rates. Ski Club Cards are \$16 per person. Contact Ross Fischer (rfischer@zcs.org) for more information.

CHAMPS Books are available from any 5th-8th grader or in the school office for \$25. CHAMPS books are filled with money saving coupons and support athletics at ZCS.

ZCS Mugs are available for \$10 each or 4 for \$35 in the ZCS office.

Pigs in a Blanket are available for \$10 per dozen.

Banket: is available for \$7 a stick

Thanksgiving Break: No school November 22-24. The school office will be closed over break.

TRIP News: There will **not** be Instant TRIP on November 24.

Elementary Music Program: November 28 at 7:00 pm at Community Reformed Church

HCHS News: We had a blast hosting your middle school last week as they came and joined over 650 MS students and teachers to watch a matinee performance of our fall musical Rags. So fun! We have much to be thankful for and one of those things is our partnership with ZCS. Happy Thanksgiving to all of you from all of us at HCHS. - Darryl DeRuiter, HCHS Principal

Feel the Zeel Christmas Events can be found [here](#).

The Month Ahead

Elementary Music Program: November 28, 7pm

December 12: Middle School Geography Bee

December 15: NO Hot Lunch or PM Busing

December 18, 20: Jingle Jogs

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December 19: Middle School Christmas Concert, 7pm

December 21: All School Chapel 9am

December 22: Middle School Serve n' Skate

Looking Forward

December 25-January 5: Christmas Vacation

January 16: Spelling Bee

January 17-19: NO AM Busing for Middle School

January 18: ZCS Showcase

On Going

[2017-2018 ZCS Events Calendar](#)

Families paying tuition through FACTS: If you receive a gift towards your tuition account, you need to contact Linda Keen at 616-879-0302 to instruct her on how you would like your gift applied to your FACTS payments.

2017-2018 ZCS Parent Handbook: [The ZCS Parent Handbook](#) contains information such as school start times, cancellations and delays, calendar, dress code, hot lunch information, etc. It can be found on the [ZCS Parents page](#).

Infinite Campus: To access your students grades parents must have a login to the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. If you do not have a login please complete the [acceptable use policy](#), and return it to the ZCS office to receive your login credentials.

Hot Lunch: Click [Here](#) to access menus, pay hot lunch balances and access forms to apply for Free/Reduced lunches.

Attendance: Please report your child absent or tardy at attendance@zcs.org or 616-741-0051. Please list your students name, teacher and the reason for absence.

Substitute Teachers Wanted: We are looking to grow our list of substitute teachers this year. We have a great need for substitutes that are fluent in Spanish. Please email Maria Klompmaker (mklompmaker@zcs.org) for more information.

ZCS \$hopper

- [Downtown Holland Holiday Calendar](#) - Check out this calendar for local holiday events!
- For Sale: Everett Piano manufactured by Yamaha. Very good condition and sounds great. Contact Brian at 616.990.1199 with interest.
- City on a Hill in Zeeland is in need of a volunteer to clear sidewalks of snow this winter. A snow blower is available to use. We are hoping to have snow removed first thing in the morning but are open to other possibilities. Please contact Gary Ellens at 748-6061 for questions or to volunteer.