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# **ZCS Blue Note**

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#### The Week Ahead

**PumpkinFest Parade:** Thank you to **Walters Gardens** and **Doc Ranch** for donating wagons, hay bales and signage for the parade. Thank you to Kevin Schonewill, Kris DenBleyker, 7th and 8th grade band, and 4 year old preschool classes that participated in the PumpkinFest Parade this past weekend.

**CEA Convention-No School:** Our teachers will be learning best practices and meeting with other educators while at the CEA Convention. NO School October 19 & 20.

**Activity Fees** were due at the beginning of the school year. If you have not paid your fees yet (\$30 elementary, \$80 middle) please do so this week.

**NO Instant TRIP** on Friday, October 20.

MAP Growth Testing: During the month of October, 3rd-8th grade students at ZCS will take a MAP® Growth™ test from NWEA® on a computer or tablet. We give students MAP Growth tests to determine their instructional level and to measure academic growth throughout the school year (and from year to year) in language arts and math.

**7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach:** We are looking for a 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the Oct. 23- Dec. 12 season. Please contact Joel Nagelkirk (<u>inagelkirk@zcs.org</u>) for more information.

#### The Month Ahead

Coming Soon: ZCS Apparel ordering

**Gift & Magazine Sale:** Watch for packets to come home in two weeks with information on this years gift and magazine sale. We decided to combine these 2 great fundraisers in an effort to simplify your life and our fundraising! Email jschafer@zcs.org if you have questions.

Fall Festival of Music: 5th-8th grade bands and 6th-8th choirs. Tuesday, October 24, 7:00 PM ZCS Gym

**Grandparents & Grandfriends Day:** K - 8th Grade Friday, November 3

9:10 a.m. Welcome 9:15 a.m. Chapel for K-8

10:00 a.m. Coffee

10:20-11:30 a.m. Visit Classrooms

11:30-12:00 p.m. Lunch with Grandchildren (sack lunch available for purchase, no pre-ordering necessary)

Feel free to print an Invitation and School Map to share with your Grandparents and Grandfriends!

**Preschool Grandparents Day:** November 1 & 2, during class time. Watch for more information from your teacher.

**End of Marking Period:** November 3. To access grades parents must have a login to the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. If you do not have a login please complete the <u>acceptable use policy</u>, and return it to the ZCS office to receive your login credentials.

## **Looking Forward**

Parents Teacher Conferences: November 8 & 9.

School Picture Make-up/Retake Day: Thursday, November 9

NO PM Busing or Hot Lunch: November 8 & 9 No School: November 10

Love God Love Kids Love Learning

## On Going

### 2017-2018 ZCS Events Calendar

**HCHS NEWS:** We had a great time hosting ZCMS's boys' soccer teams last week for a time of playing (coached by ZCS alumni) and enjoying pizza with the HCMS soccer players. Great connection opportunity! This week Thursday and next week Tuesday we are holding our fall Parent/Teacher Conferences so I hope I'll have the chance to see and meet/visit with some of you. - Darryl DeRuiter, HCHS Principal

Yearbooks: Don't miss out! Order your yearbook <u>HERE</u>.

**Pig in a Blankets:** Available now for \$10 a dozen. This year two options are available: Flaky or Regular dough with a new meat recipe! Pigs are available for purchase in the hallway freezer near the gym.

**Hot Lunch:** Click <u>Here</u> 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 <u>attendance@zcs.org</u> or 616-741-0051. Please list your students name, teacher and the reason for absence.

**Parent Drivers:** Insurance guidelines require that all parent drivers provide the office a copy of their drivers license and proof of insurance prior to driving for a field trip, sports or after school activities. Please provide the office with a copy of your license and insurance prior to driving this year.

**Art Room:** The Art room is looking for plastic containers, ie margarine /sour cream. Also needed are styrofoam egg cartons.

**ZCS Stories:** Our ZCS family has so many great stories and we don't want to miss any of them! If you know of great stories that involve current or past ZCS students could you please share it with us? Email Elizabeth Vander Zwaag (evanderzwaag@zcs.org).

**After School Care Staff Needed:** We are looking for one more person, ages 18 or older, to work in our after school care program one or more days a week. Hours are 3:15-6:00 pm. Please contact Nancy Pyle at npyle@zcs.org if interested.

Resource Room Hourly Staff Needed: We are looking to hire an assistant teacher in the resource room on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings from 8:30am-12:00pm. Contact Janelle Sievert (jsievert@zcs.org) if interested.

**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.

**Spanish teacher for FLES Position:** (Foreign Language in the Elementary School): This teacher will go into 5 English preschool classrooms to teach Spanish at an introductory level once a week for 15 minutes. The teacher will also teach Spanish to our English and Mandarin students in nine Kindergarten-2nd grade classrooms three times a week for 30 minutes per time. Contact: Immersion Director, Jodi Pierce (jpierce@zcs.org)

#### TRIP NEWS

• If there is no school (Thanksgiving, Christmas Break, Snow Days, etc.) on Friday, there is NO Instant TRIP.

## **ZCS** \$hopper

- Local honey for sale! It's raw and unfiltered so it retains all the health benefits honey is known for. 1lb. bottle for \$6 or 3lb. bottle for \$15. Larger sizes available upon request. Call or text 616-403-1383. Can be picked up at Mrs. Leenstra's 3rd grade class room.
- Do you wish there was an easy way for your kids and family to eat more raw fruits and veggies? Juice Plus+ can help you add 30 different fruits and vegetables to your diet every day. For more information, please contact Stacey Nagelkirk at staceynagelkirk@gmail.com or 616.901.6853.
- Free Couch with a hide-a-bed (or sleeper sofa). Contact Monica at 616.566.2704