

ZCS Blue Note

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Upcoming Calendar Dates

February 11: All School Chapel 9AM

February 13: NO PM Busing

February 14 & 17: NO School *Winter Break*

February 26: ZCS Middle School Unified Basketball Game

March 3: Optional K-8 Conferences *School in Session*

March 6 &7: 8th Grade Play: Charlotte's Web

March 17: 6:15 PM (K-2) and 7:15 PM (3-5) Elementary Spring Programs at Community Reformed Church

March 20: End of 3rd Marking Period

March 23 & 24: No Preschool. Preschool Conferences

March 28: Basket Breakers 3-on-3 tournament Registration is OPEN! Register HERE

April 3-10: Spring Break

April 17: Auction

News

2020-2021 Calendar: Find the 2020-2021 calendar HERE

Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS) Launch: We are excited to introduce our new Positive Behavior framework to ZCS - **Christ-like AMOR**. The ultimate goal of the framework is to bring clarity and consistency for our kids and our staff. The kids were introduced to our <u>Behavior Expectations</u> on Monday. We will be intentionally acknowledging the positive behaviors that we see everyday because we know that the behavior that receives the most attention is the behavior that we will see more of in the future.

We have such amazing kids at ZCS and their loving, caring, and inclusive behavior deserves our acknowledgement and attention! However, when a child's behavior needs to be addressed, we will be guiding our response with the following <u>Behavior Response</u> <u>Matrix</u>. From now until the end of the school year we will be doing our best to use this framework with fidelity and integrity. We understand that this is a work in progress and we will make any adjustments necessary before next school year. Ultimately, we will continue to seek to operate as a community of Grace exemplified by Christ-like Amor.

Click here to see pictures from the launch and learn more.

Registration for Kindergarten and Young Fives 2020-2021 is open! Please register your child at https://2020zcskindergarten.eventbrite.com

Open Preschool Registration began Thursday, January 30 at 7PM. No password needed! https://zcspreschool.eventbrite.com

Middle School Ski Club: Is going to Bittersweet on Friday. Depart at 3:00 PM and returns around 9:15 PM. Students should sign up for the bus near Mr. Fischer's office.

ZCS Family Skiing at Caberfae Peaks. Always a great time with ZCS families, a warm fire and a potluck with our own part of the lodge. **February 17**: \$19 for lift ticket and ski rental. Lessons are \$1 and must be scheduled ahead a week ahead of time. Snowboard rental is \$8 and Helmet Rental is \$3. Printable Registration form is available **HERE**

The Holland Christian Boys Lacrosse Club is for Zeeland Christian and Holland Christian students in grades 3 through 8. The season runs from March 16 - May 16 with practices and games at Holland Christian MS. The 3rd/4th team generally practices on M/W with games on Saturdays. The 5th/6th team and 7th/8th team generally practice on Tu/Th with games on M/W. Early bird registration runs from now through February 26th. There is an informational meeting about the club and upcoming season for parents on **Monday**, **February 24th at 7 pm in the HC HS Lecture Hall**. Whether lacrosse is a new sport for your family or not, please attend the informational meeting and you will still have a couple of days to register at the early bird rate. Athletes already registered will be able to pick up their uniforms on the night of the 24th as well. You will find registration for each of the 3 club teams at the following link: https://campscui.active.com/orgs/HollandChristianSchool?orglink=camps-registration

It may seem crazy to think about summer sports camps already, but **Holland Christian Summer Sports Camps are ready for registration!** From basketball to volleyball and kindergarteners to seniors, there are a variety of Christ centered sports offerings for all ages. We invite you to click on this <u>blog post</u> for more information about summer sports camps and how to register! (https://www.hollandchristian.org/summer-sports-camp-registration/)"

ZCS Mosaic: Are you are a foster, adoptive, or kinship family who is interested in connecting with other ZCS foster, adoptive, or kinship families? Have you been considering adoption or foster care and want to gain more information from other families who have fostered or adopted children? Or, are you a family that is interested in growing closer, learning from, empowering, laughing with, and supporting adoptive, foster, or kinship families? Then ZCS Mosaic Group is just right for you! If you are interested, we would love to get some more information about: your family, children, areas you would like more support, and what type of social gatherings you would like to participate in. To submit this information, please fill out this brief survey. Or, if you would like additional information on ZCS Mosaic you can email Janine Osterink and Jill Emmick at zcschoolmosaic@gmail.com.

Only Three More Sponsor Students! We have three more fifth grade students who are looking for a family to sponsor their tuition. For only \$450, you could pay for their tuition this year. If you are interested in more details or if you would like to sponsor one of these students, please contact Maria Klompmaker (mklompmaker@zcs.org).

Important Terracycle Announcement: With the new year, there are a few changes in what we are able to accept – although some recycling programs have closed, we were able to join some exciting new programs! Please see the link for details on all the NEW items we are now accepting. We ask that you are careful to send in only accepted items. Please note: we no longer are able to accept cereal bags, skincare, or cosmetic products. The only shampoo/hair care products we can accept needs to be Herbal Essence brand.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1ciMxX2L5HCrbk7-cY8i6y6gkvIRGgxuG7a3kMv6syNk/edit?usp=sharing TerraCycle Info

Cardboard Dumpster: Please <u>do not use</u> the cardboard dumpster near the trash dumpster for your personal cardboard disposal. The Paper Gator is also NOT an acceptable location for cardboard disposal. Items that are acceptable for the Paper Gator are listed HERE.

The art room requests donations of paper egg cartons! thanks!

Pets in School: If you have a family pet that you would like to bring in to school, please get prior approval from your classroom teacher and the office. We have students in the building that are allergic to some pets and others that pets bring some anxiety. Thanks in advance for your help!

2019-2020 ZCS Parent Handbook: <u>The ZCS Parent Handbook</u> is always accessible in the Parent Section of the ZCS Website.

School Delays/Cancellations: When Zeeland Public is delayed or canceled due to weather or other circumstances, Zeeland Christian is canceled as well. Delay/Cancellation information is available on most local tv and radio stations. You may also choose to receive text alerts via stations such as WZZM or WOODTV. Sign up for alerts from ZPS at http://www.zps.org/z-for-me/.

Substitute Teachers Wanted: Do you love God, love kids, and love to learn? We are looking to grow our list of substitute teachers for our traditional (English) classrooms, Spanish Immersion, and Mandarin Immersion. Please email Maria Klompmaker (mklompmaker@zcs.org) if you or someone you know is interested in being on our list.

Pig in a Blanket: Traditional and flaky options are available for \$10 per dozen. Purchase your Pigs in the office and pick up in the hallway freezer.

TRIP

- Parents of Young 5s-5th grade may have TRIP sent home with your child. Please update your profile with your child's name and their new teacher's name.
- Tuesday TRIP continues as usual if there is a snow day. If there is a snow day on Friday there will be no Instant TRIP.
- Middle school students need to pick up TRIP for their parents in the front office.
- TRIP orders may be picked up in the front office anytime during office hours. TRIP is delivered to the office each week on Tuesday after 10:30 AM
- You may now use your credit card to purchase TRIP. You will need to enter your information at <u>shopwithscrip.com</u>. You can use a VISA or Mastercard. Your rebate will remain unchanged, but there is a 2.6% charge for using the credit card.
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