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Visit the [ZPS Community Page](#) for community news applicable to ZPS families

Dear Quincy Families,

I am sure you already know this, but your children are fortunate to work with a group of teachers who carefully monitor each student's progress and then adjust instruction to meet student learning goals.

We have a unique time scheduled into our day this year called "WIN", and it stands for "What I Need". We are focusing this half-hour of instruction on reading achievement. Students in each grade level will be working with a Quincy staff member on exactly what they need in order to meet their next goal in reading.

You may hear from your child that he/she gets to go to another classroom for WIN time. These groups are fluid and will change throughout the year, based upon what our students need.

You will learn more about your child's goals during WIN time at conferences. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please ask your child's teacher. WIN groups will start for all students within the next week.

Thank you for sharing your amazing children with us!

Quincy Staff



Remember to place your paper items in our PaperGator!

You can place the following items in the bin:

- Newspaper
- Catalogs/Magazines
- Office/school paper
- Junk Mail
- Telephone Books
- Hard/Soft cover books
- Notebooks
- Workbooks

Mark Your Calendar

October 2015

October 30—Halloween Parade, 2:15pm

November 2015

November 10—Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4-7pm

November 11—Half day of school, noon dismissal, Parent/Teacher Conferences, 2-5pm

November 12—Half day of school, noon dismissal, Parent/Teacher Conferences, 2-8pm

November 13—No school

November 17—Picture Retakes

November 16-19—Book Fair

November 25-27—No School, Thanksgiving break

December 2015

December 11—Half day of school, noon dismissal.

December 18—Spirit Day, Crazy Christmas Clothes.

December 21-Jan. 1—No School, Christmas Break

ZPS Community Page

Please visit the community page link noted above for access to community news that pertains to all ZPS families.

HALLOWEEN

On Friday, October 30, we will be having our traditional Halloween dress up parade at 2:15 p.m.

Individual classrooms may be planning a few events in the afternoon. The events are left to the discretion of the classroom teacher. Teachers are encouraged to engage in some fun, traditional types of games and activities.

Our costume parade will begin at 2:15 p.m. Parents are invited to view or be a part of the parade. No one is required to wear a costume. We ask that costumes not be worn during the morning so that classroom teachers are able to maintain as normal a morning as possible.

Anyone desiring to wear a costume is required to stay away from the bloody, gory, devilish or monster type of costume. Self-created costumes are encouraged. Any type of aerosol containers (silly string, hair coloring, etc.) or weapon type items are not allowed and will be taken from the student if brought to school.

Any parents who prefer that their children not participate in any of these celebrations may have their child/ren excused from the activities or take them home for the afternoon. We will make the library available in the afternoon for quiet games or reading.

Parent/Teacher Conferences Online Scheduling beginning Monday, October 19

Parent/Teacher conferences are right around the corner, and we are offering a format for scheduling conferences using an online system called PTCFast. It is very simple for you to use, simply go to the Quincy Elementary webpage and follow the link. Once you register your email address, you will be sent an email to sign up for the conference time that works best for you.

If you have a busy schedule and have limited availability, we recommend that you schedule your conference right away because it is first come, first serve. If you run in to any difficulties, or you do not have internet access or an email address, please call the office or stop in to schedule your conference.

Thank you for your support as we try to make scheduling conferences easy and convenient for you!