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STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Fall conferences are coming right up during the week of November 26th. Get ready to celebrate your child's learning! Your child's teacher has sent home a conference scheduling form. On November 27th and 30th, students will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m.

Your child will take a lead role in the Student/Parent/Teacher Conference this fall.

Giving your child an opportunity to share his/her work with you, provides a meaningful context for learning and producing quality work. It also gives your child a powerful reason to continue to learn and work hard. As your child communicates his/her learning using work samples, self-assessments and reflections, he/she can better understand his/her own learning. Your child can identify strengths and areas to improve upon. Providing feedback in a positive constructive manner will support learning.

Here are a few questions and prompts that may be helpful in guiding the conference and responding to your child.

*How has your learning improved since November?	*What was the target for this assignment? *How do you know that you met the target?
*What did you do to produce quality work? *How did you demonstrate "responsibility in learning?"	*What trait will be a goal for the next trimester?
*How did you demonstrate "perseverance in learning?" *What are you most proud of?	*What goal will help you be an even stronger reader, writer, mathematician, thinker and/or speaker?
*What are you an expert at now?	*How did your teacher help you learn this?
*Some ways I can help you are	*I really enjoyed your conference because
*What do you do when you need help in class?	* How did you collaborate with classmates?

We look forward to seeing you at Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences! We will focus on your child's learning at the conference and invite your input on developing goals for ongoing progress. Please remember that your questions, comments and concerns may be communicated at any time through a meeting, phone call, note or e-mail to your child's teacher. Presumpscot's conference goal is 100% participation.

Best Regards,

Cynthia A. Loring and the Presumpscot Staff Family

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