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January 20, 2021

Important Dates

January 21 Retake Day

January 22 Dream Makers Dress Up/PJ Day (see the PTA

Pulse for details!)

January 25 NO SCHOOL – Grading and Planning

January 25-29 PARAPROFESSIONAL APPRECIATION WEEK

January 26 Mismatch Day – Wear your Goofiest Outfit!

January 28 NO SCHOOL – Transition Planning for Staff

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February 1 K-5 In-Person at Deephaven Begins

February 1-28 Read-A-Thon (see details in "PTA Pulse")

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Class Lists for February 1 will be sent out on Friday, January 22, at 4:00 p.m. Some adjustments needed to be made to allow for all K-5 students to be back at Deephaven.

Deephaven's Read-A-Thon starts on February 1. See details below in the PTA Pulse section.

Next Week's Plan for School

- No school on Monday, January 25.
- Plan for School on January 26 and 27.
 - Grades K-2 Hybrid
 - Grade 3 continues with e-Learning
 - Grades 4 and 5 switch to e-Learning
- No school on Thursday and Friday, January 28 and 29. Transition days for teachers to prepare for February 1.

February 1

K-5 in-person learning at Deephaven begins.

February is Black History month. This year, our theme is about voices, and we will be celebrating individuals whose "voice" made a difference and honoring each other's voice. Throughout the month, students will have opportunities to learn about leaders' challenges and achievements. There will be daily biographies of black Americans who made a positive impact, posters of influential leaders will be hung in the hallways, and students will be able to watch read-alouds by black authors, illustrators, and/or entertainers. Deephaven will host the world-renowned Mychael T. Rambo for a school-wide virtual presentation. In addition to classroom activities, each grade level will participate in a special activity or presentation.

- K-1 Story-telling by Ms. Zulu
- 2- Lehman Riley, local author
- 3-Artist in Residency, Mychael T. Rambo
- 4- Paralympian Presentation by Mark Braun
- 5-King-DioRR, Minnetonka 7th grade student speaker

After 8, You're Late is an easy way to remember our start time. Students may be dropped off as early as 7:30 a.m. They will head directly to their classroom to avoid a crowd in our lobby. The first bell rings at 7:50 a.m. and school starts at 8:00 a.m. Please be sure your child is here by 7:50 a.m. so he/she has time to settle in before the start of school. Students taking the bus enter school at 7:50 a.m. If a bus is late, those students will not be marked tardy. With all of the changes we've experienced this past year, we hope that the habit of being on time to school will be a priority. Thank you.

DID YOU KNOW?

Mental Health Virtual Town Hall

Angst: Raising Awareness Around Anxiety and Depression Live Virtual Video Screening & Breakout Discussion Panels

Wednesday, February 3

- Movie Screening at 6:30 p.m.
- Breakout Discussion Panels at 7:45 p.m.

Learn more about anxiety, depression and their effects on children and young adults as part of Minnetonka Schools' second Mental Health Virtual Town Hall. The event will begin with a live virtual screening of the documentary *Angst*, a 56-minute film and virtual reality experience that explores anxiety and depression, their causes, effects and what can be done about them. After the screening, take part in a breakout discussion session to debrief what you've learned with a panel of school and community experts. There will be two separate breakout sessions, one geared toward parents of elementary students and one for secondary students and their parents.

RSVP at http://bit.ly/MtkaAngstScreening

The event is free, but space is limited for this virtual event.

Watch the trailer for *Angst*: https://angstmovie.com/trailer/

RETAKE DAY – an email was sent out earlier today with a link to a Google form that needs to be filled out if your child will be participating in retake day. If you have a photo package to return, please try to remember to have your child bring it to school tomorrow so that we can return it to the photographer. Tomorrow is also the time to have your child's photo taken if they missed picture day in the fall. Here is the link to sign up https://forms.gle/JATNhUPSKbkRYDtQ9 Please try to have it filled out by 7:00 a.m. tomorrow! It is imperative that we have the student's name and teacher's name filled out on the form. **Please fill out a form for each child being photographed.**

- Student in grades K-2 will have their picture taken at Deephaven, starting around 8:00 a.m., in the Media Center. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO HELP STUDENTS GET TO THE MEDIA CENTER, PLEASE CALL ME AT 952-401-4141. We will likely need 2-3 people. We will be practicing social distancing protocols during this time.
- Students in grades 4-5 will have their picture taken at the high school. We will not need volunteers, as the cameras will be set up right outside of their "pod" area.
- Students that are currently in the 3rd grade childcare program will have their photo taken during the school day.
- Students that are in **3rd grade and not a part of the childcare program** and those students that are e-Learners, will have the opportunity to come to DEEPHAVEN from 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. We will be taking temperatures before you head to the Media Center. If you do not feel comfortable coming into the school, you will have the opportunity to send in a picture of your own at a later date.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

If you, your child, or anyone in your household has possible COVID-like symptoms, ALL household members should remain at home until further evaluation by a health care provider. If you choose not to contact a health care provider, we ask that all household members remain at home until you have spoken with the Health Office. If anyone in your household has been tested for COVID-19, ALL household members should remain at home until test results are known.

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION (Weeks of January 18 and January 25)

Classroom discussions this week and next will be focusing on reporting problems to adults in our school. Students will discuss different real life situations with their classes and small groups. As a class, they will be brainstorming which situations would need to be reported to an adult, and how they can go about reporting them. Everyone's goal is to become more proactive in reporting problems to their teacher or an adult in the building.

PTA PULSE

It's coming... READ-A-THON 2021! A fun (and cozy) item to add to your winter to-do list is our annual **Read-A-Thon**, which begins in February.

Stack your home library with your books to get ready to READ, READ! See below for initial details on this fun and engaging activity.

If you are interested in getting involved in the PTA, please reach out to PTA President, Amanda Sutter at sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com or 952-826-9856.

Upcoming Dates:

January 22 Dream Makers Dress Up and PJ Day (details below)

February 1 -28 Read-A-Thon! (Details to follow)

Dream Makers Dress Up & PJ Day is this Friday, January 22! Students are encouraged to bring a donation of \$1-\$5 for the Minnetonka Foundation on Friday. Donations will be collected by the teachers. e-Learners who choose to donate can either drop them off at Deephaven (there will be a drop box by the door) or send them via Venmo to @Paula_Madel. The money collected will be used to purchase an item to be auctioned off at the Dream Makers event. The funds raised at the event go toward supporting our students. **A donation is not required for students to participate in Dress Up/PJ Day.**

READ-A-THON -- Save the Date: The Read-a-Thon will start on February 1, and students will read from February 1 until February 28. Now is the time to talk to your student about their reading goals. Try to challenge your child to read beyond their required school minutes and get them excited to try a new book! More details on registration will be coming out in the next few weeks. Stay tuned!

NEW Fundraiser: Mabel's Labels -- Mabel's Labels is a great way to keep track of your children's items during the school year! The labels can be reused and are waterproof, and dishwasher/microwave-safe. **Bonus? 20%** of each purchase will go back to Deephaven PTA!

How to order:

- VISIT Mabel's Labels website at campaigns.mabelslabels.com
- SELECT **Deephaven Elementary** on the website to ensure your purchase benefits our school
- RECEIVE your order shipped directly to your home.

Playworks recess at home: Looking for additional opportunities to get your kids moving and active at home? The Playworks team has been hosting Play at Home live recess on YouTube every Tuesday and Thursday morning! Kids can join and play along in real time for a quick movement break and to get refocused for the day. Link to the Playworks Youtube playlist is here: Playworks Play at Home Recess