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THE WINDS
DECEMBER 8, 2021

Important Dates

December 6-10	Book Fair
December 9	Kindergarten Information Night (In-person, 6:30 p.m.)
December 15	Dream Makers Dress Up & PJ Day
December 15	Student Leadership Meeting
December 16	Kindergarten Information Night (Virtual, 6:30 p.m.)
December 22	5 th Grade Winter Party
December 22	Last Day of school before Winter Break
Dec 23-Jan 2	WINTER BREAK
January 3	First day back from Winter Break

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Job Opening – Deephaven has a 3-hour Noon Hour Para opening. Contact Josh Jansen if you are interested in learning more about the position or would like to apply for it.

Josh.jansen@minnetonkaschools.org

Winter Recess - If the temperature or the windchill is colder than -10 degrees, we keep students indoors for recess. Please contact our social worker if you need assistance with winter gear for your child. Jessica.thull@minnetonkaschools.org

Thank You Volunteers – It has been so nice having parent volunteers back at school this year. We are grateful for all of the support from our Deephaven parents.

Kindergarten Information Night - Do you have an **incoming kindergartner** next school year? This year, we have two events to talk about our kindergarten options.

December 9 Kindergarten Information Night (In-person, 6 p.m.)

December 16 Kindergarten Information Night (Virtual, 6 p.m.)

It is highly recommended that you click on the link below to sign up.

[RSVP to Kindergarten Information Night](#)

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM BRINGING YOUR INCOMING KINDERGARTNER OR SIBLINGS TO THE EVENT FOR SAFETY REASONS.

Kindergarten registration information can be found [here](#).

Last Winds Before Break - No Winds next week, December 15.

Winter Break - Students' last day of school before winter break is Wednesday, December 22. School will resume on Monday, January 3. We hope you all enjoy time with family and friends.

DID YOU KNOW?

Dream Makers Dress Up & PJ Day is Wednesday, December 15th. Students are asked to bring a donation of \$1-\$5 for the Minnetonka Foundation on Dress Up/PJ Day or send Venmo to @Paula-Madel. The money collected will be used to purchase an item to be auctioned off at the 2022 Dream Makers event. The funds raised at the event go toward supporting our Minnetonka students. **A donation is not required for students to participate in Dress Up/PJ Day.**

LIGHTHOUSE PUBLISHING - Our 2nd Lighthouse Publishing writing session for the 2021-2022 school year is approaching. Don't forget to buy your books from our awesome Book Fair... then it's time to write your own book! And, you have lots of time to write, when you are on your Winter Break!

Submissions can be stories, comics, poems, journal entries, etc.

Please be sure to type your entry, using this template: [Lighthouse Jan 2022 Template.docx](#)

The writing submission dates are as follows:

- Writing submissions due - Friday, January 7th
- Publishing Ceremony - Wednesday, January 19th

BONUS!! The class with the most Lighthouse Publishing authors will receive a class pizza party lunch!

Please submit your writing entries in the template attached. When complete, please submit your stories (in a Word or PDF format, not a google-doc please), to the following email: deephaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com

Thank you for supporting the Deephaven Lighthouse Publishing program!
Happy Writing!
Sandy Dostal
Lighthouse Publishing Chairperson



OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings we will be discussing different ways to assist those who may experience bullying and sharing safe, practical ways to show courage.

PTA PULSE

It's Book Fair week! One of the PTA's big fundraisers—every purchase you make benefits the PTA to help fund books for classroom libraries, our media center, and teacher grants.

Upcoming Key Dates

Dec 6-10 Scholastic Book Fair - Media Center
Dec 8 Dads Night Out - **Tonight** 6:00-9:00 Chanhassen Brewing Company
Dec 10, 11 Tonka Pride Sale - District Service Center
Dec 17 Glove Drive ends

Scholastic Book Fair "Books Bring Us Together" - Dec 6 - 10

Today is the last day for families to visit! Stop by Wednesday, after school from 3:00- 6:00.

Bookmark Contest

Special thanks to Jessica Mork and Sarah Min for their work on the Bookmark Contest. All of the 200+ bookmark entries will be on display at the Scholastic Book Fair. See if you can spot your child's when you visit. **Congrats to Fan Favorite bookmark winner, Jennika Lopez** (2nd-Renz/Bailey). The first 70 families to make purchases at the fair from 3-6pm on Tues, Dec. 7th and/or Wed., Dec. 8th will receive a free "sneak peek" bookmark to take home.

Deephaven Dads Night Out - Dec 8 - Join us for a Deephaven Dads' Night Out tonight, Dec 8th from 6pm - 9pm at Chanhassen Brewing Company. Contact Andy Punch at andrew@andrewpunch.com with questions.

The Tonka Pride Winter Sale is this week! - Visit the District Service Center Dec 10 from 1-7pm and Dec 11 from 8am-1pm. Tonka gear makes great holiday gifts, and a portion of sales comes back to our school. This is a great opportunity to outfit your family and support our school.

2021 Share the gLOVE Drive - Ends Dec 17

It's cold out there! Let's make sure all our neighbors can stay warm. Donate new or gently used mittens, gloves, and hats in the Deephaven lobby bin. Bring in a pair when you visit the book fair.

Kindness CARES Program - January - May. Volunteers still needed to help teach lessons on Cooperation, Assertion, Responsibility, Empathy, and Self Control in your child's classrooms, January - May 2022. Check [Membership Toolkit](#) to see if your child's class still needs a volunteer. Recruit a friend to help you. Reach out to Rebecca Anderson (rconn229@gmail.com) with questions.

Yearbook Photos

Have you taken great photos of your child's class or school activities? If so, please email pics to deephavenyearbook1@gmail.com. Make sure to include the student's names and grades in the email.

PTA Committee Spotlight: The Book Fair Team!

Our Scholastic Book Fair team has worked hard to put on a great Book Fair fundraiser this year! From working with Scholastic to planning for e-wallets, class visits, family shopping, and online purchases, and coordinating volunteers and communications - this team has done an amazing job helping to earn money for the Deephaven school community. A special shout out to parent Kelli Deeg for her AMAZING job leading this event, and the entire Book Fair committee, Katie Fremont, Courtney Balcer, and Sarah Min, for planning a FANTASTIC Book Fair! Thank you, Book Fair team!

Interested in helping with the Book Fair next year, or helping out at the school in another capacity? Reach out to PTA President, Amanda Sutter, at sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com to get involved. For more volunteer opportunities, see the Deephaven Elementary Volunteer Opportunity (DEVO) e-blast and membership toolkit for a full list of current volunteer opportunities.