



THE WINDS
MARCH 16, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

March 16	Student Leadership
March 19	Imagination Fair (more information below)
March 23	Wacky Wednesday: Animal Day
Mar. 28-Apr. 1	Spring Break
April 4	No School – Planning/Grading Day
April 6	Student Leadership
April 8	Lighthouse Publishing submissions due
April 18	E-LEARNING DAY
April 20	Student Leadership
April 21	Spring Pictures

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Congratulations to fifth grade teacher, Courtney Loynachan! Courtney is this year's recipient of the Child Centered Excellence in Teaching Award for Deephaven. She will be honored at this year's Celebration of Excellence event in May.

Update your child's iPad - MCAs are approaching, and we learned that Test Nav will not run on the former operating system. The tech department recently communicated to families/students about updating their iPads to the latest OS version. Please take time to update your child's iPad to the latest operating system.

Parent Input Forms You may complete a Parent Input form and return it to your child's teacher. Forms are available in the office. The deadline to turn in your form is **Friday, March 25**. We will do our best to take your input into consideration as we build class lists for next year. We do not guarantee that we can accommodate all requests due to the difficult task of creating balanced classrooms.

Wacky Wednesday takes place on Wednesday, March 23. Students are encouraged to dress up like their favorite animal. These are fun days at school and participation has been high. The entire staff looks forward to seeing our students dressed up based on the Wacky Wednesday theme.

Spring Break is the week of March 28 – April 1

No School Monday, April 4 – Grading/Planning Day

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings students will be talking about friendship. K-2 students will be discussing strategies for initiating play with students, appropriate ways to react to rejection, and role play taking turns and sharing. 3-5 students will talk about ways to be a good friend and practice friendship related skills such as joining a conversation and sharing.

DID YOU KNOW?

Spring Pictures – Save the date! Spring Pictures will be offered on April 21 8am-12pm. Watch for order forms to be brought home about 2 weeks ahead of time. More information coming soon!

PTA PULSE

Spring is in the air! Get outside and enjoy this beautiful weather. If you're interested in volunteering with the PTA reach out to Amanda Sutter (sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com) to get involved.

Upcoming Key Dates

Mar 14-18 World Culture Week
Mar 19 Imagination Fair
Apr 8 Lighthouse publishing due
Apr 25-29 Kindness Week
Apr 28 Student Art Exhibition
Apr 29 Talent Show
May 21 Deephaven Parent Party

DEI Survey - We need your input! Please take 15 minutes to tell us how well you think Deephaven Elementary is doing with making all students, families, teachers, and staff feel safe, welcome, included and valued in our school community. This [survey](#) will be open through March 31. Survey results will help inform diversity, equity & inclusion work at our school. Questions? Contact our DEI committee leads Betsy Chin (betsyjchin@gmail.com) or Hilary Cheeley (hilary.cheeley@gmail.com)

World Culture Week - March 14-18 is this week! Students are learning about Mexico, India, Somalia and Laos (specifically the Hmong culture) with the Minnesota Brings Us Together theme. Join your students as they learn about these special places and people and fill in their world passports for a reward on Friday.

Imagination Fair - March 19th 9:00-11:00 am Stop by school on Saturday to enjoy student's Imagination Fair projects. Tour the projects, talk to the inventors and meet a few parent scientists.

Student Art Exhibition - April 28th 5:00-7:00. Mark your calendars for the upcoming **in-person** Art Exhibition on Thursday, April 28th. Student art will be displayed throughout the school and there will be make-and-take art stations for kids to enjoy. Stop by for as little or as long you'd like!

Talent Show - April 29th - We're excited to bring back the Talent Show this Spring! The show will be held on Friday, April 29, at Excelsior Elementary School. Students in grades 3-5 are encouraged to participate in the show, and all students/families are invited to attend. Look for more details next week.

Deephaven Parent Party & Virtual Auction -- Committee Members Wanted!

Giddy Up! We are excited to be "Back in the Saddle" this year with the return of the Deephaven Parent Party! To make our event as fun as possible, and to raise big \$ for our school, we are looking for more committee members to help plan and execute. If you love fundraising or event planning, please join us! [SIGN UP to volunteer](#). Questions (or have a fabulous auction item to donate?) Please reach out to Deephaven Parent Party Co-Chairs Polly Madsen at madsen.polly@gmail.com or Stephanie Powell at marystephanie@gmail.com.

ART ADVENTURE 2022 Be a part of this amazing partnership with MIA for students in Grades 1, 3, and 5. Students are presented with 6 artworks between March and May. Parent volunteers discuss the pieces using posters and other tools.

Sign up to volunteer in Membership Toolkit. Classrooms can have more than one volunteer. For questions contact Caryn Jakucki at cjakucki@gmail.com.

Volunteer is needed especially for the 3rd grade - Dahlbacka classroom

Lighthouse Publishing - Submissions due Friday April 8th.

Write a short story, comic strip, poem, journal... you decide! **1st Graders are invited to this session.** Entries must be submitted using the [Lighthouse Publishing Template](#), and emailed to: deephaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com.

Read-a-Thon Wrap Up and Celebration

Thank you for supporting this year's Read-a-Thon! We had amazing results:

- 90% student participation
- Over 632,000 minutes read!
- Over \$56,000 raised for the school

Now we celebrate! **This Friday**, Mrs. Anderson gets duct taped! Classrooms will have a chance to see Mrs. A in the front gym. The top 31 readers and fundraisers will celebrate with a pizza party in the cafeteria. The top reader and fundraiser will tour the tunnels. On **Friday, March 25th** all classes will enjoy a Movie and Popcorn Day!

Top 3 Winners:

- Top Reader: Bennett Brockamp
- Top Fundraiser: Avi Nadler-Thomson
- Top Reading Class: Loynachan

Top 6 Reading Classes:

- K: Pearson
- 1st Grade: Rothman
- 2nd Grade: Brockamp
- 3rd Grade: Dahlbacka
- 4th Grade: Lunzer
- 5th Grade: Loynachan

Top 6 Readers:

- Campbell Murray – 5th Grade
- Maeve Isaacson – 4th Grade
- Alex Mork – 3rd Grade
- Teddy Fremont – 2nd Grade
- Nandith Natraj – 1st Grade
- Ruby Henkels – Kindergarten

Top 6 Fundraisers:

- Caroline Whipple – 5th Grade
- Clara Fazendin – 4th Grade
- Nolan Flo – 3rd Grade
- Beric Carr-Manthe – 2nd Grade
- Coraline Flo – 1st Grade
- Charlie Sutter – Kindergarten

Top 31 Readers:

5th: Campbell Murray, Mark Semersky, Audrey Doyle, Sebastian Zorn, Ben S.

4th: Maeve Isaacson, Sofia Kukowski Gonzalez, Kieran Erickson, Donovan Heltner, Nadia Sad

3rd: Bennett Brockamp, Alex Mork, Excellent Egbele, Christopher Hankins, Sean Murphy, Carson S.

2nd: Teddy Fremont, Ella Henkels, Claire Whitney, George Sigfrinius, Lina Ballsrud

1st: Nandith Natraj, Dylan Heltner, Jack DeRosier, Everett Dickens, Libby Dircks

K: Ruby Henkels, Piper Punch, Cooper Whitney, Emma Gwost, Thatcher Miles

Top 31 Fundraisers:

5th: Caroline Whipple, Ellen Dunlavy, Declan Shepherd, Britt Kirby, Grey Cheeley

4th: Clara Fazendin, Emily Woodburn, Nico Brown, Chloe Rettinger, Annie Moos

3rd: Avi Nadler-Thomson, Nolan Flo, Alex Mork, Jackson Popehn, Blake Drawz, Simon Raab

2nd: Beric Carr-Manthe, Hutton Lepper, Margot Sponsler, Nelva Schelitzche, Rosie Alday

1st: Coraline Flo, Quinton Busch, Harrison Fazendin, William Fransen Weinberger, Violet Splett

K: Charlie Sutter, Finn McCoy, Ashley Burns, Madeline Hinz, Thatcher Miles

We appreciate the support of our students, parents, teachers, staff, and sponsors. We are very fortunate to have this community of people dedicated to our children and their development. Great job, everyone! If you have any questions regarding the Read-a-Thon, please email deephavenreadathon@gmail.com. Thank you, Jessica Mork and Sarah Min - Read-a-Thon Co-Chairs