



THE WINDS NOVEMBER 17, 2020

Important Dates

November 24	PJ Day (ALL SCHOOL)
November 25-26	NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK
December 1	Student Leadership Meeting
December 6-10	Book Fair
December 9	Kindergarten Information Night (In-person, 6:30 p.m.)
December 15	Student Leadership Meeting
December 16	Kindergarten Information Night (Virtual, 6:30 p.m.)
December 22	5 th Grade Winter Party
Dec 23-Jan 2	WINTER BREAK (last day Dec. 22 – first day back Jan. 3)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Next Wednesday is our second Wacky Wednesday. The dress-up day on November 24th is Pajama Day! Perfect timing before heading off to Thanksgiving break.

REMINDER - Dress for the Weather – Students are outside for 30 minutes each day during recess. Temperatures need to be -10 degrees below zero actual temperature or wind chill to have indoor recess.

Do you have an incoming kindergartner next school year? This year, we have two events to talk about 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](#).

How We Work with Children – Deephaven has an intentional approach to working with our students. Our goal is to create a consistent learning environment from the day students walk into kindergarten through their last day of fifth grade. Our entire staff uses Responsive Classroom, Restitution Theory, and Social Thinking to set students up for social and emotional success. We begin our day with the morning

broadcast, done entirely by fifth grade students, followed by a Morning Meeting in each classroom. We model and teach our expectations, so students understand what is expected of them and how to do what is expected. We also create engaging lessons that increase on-task behaviors. Routines are important and we imbed them throughout the school day. This intentional approach has created a school environment where suspensions are almost non-existent and misbehavior is at a minimum. Your support at home is critical to our success during the school day with your child. Thank you for trusting our staff to care for your child and to hold them accountable when necessary. Together, we are providing Deephaven students with the skills necessary to be successful in life.

Responsive Classroom: <https://www.responsiveclassroom.org/about/>

Restitution Theory: <https://realrestitution.com/restitution-in-schools/>

Social Thinking: <https://www.socialthinking.com/social-thinking-methodology>

Deephaven Parent and Student Handbook:

<https://resources.finalsite.net/images/v1634652959/minnetonka/llzgx8e889fzdsey0nk/DeephavenElementaryParentandStudentHandbook2021-22.pdf>

Deephaven Student Leadership is offered to all fifth-grade students. At Deephaven, we believe we have students that will be serving in leadership roles at some point in their lives. Our goal is to teach them specific skills to help them be a successful leader, whether it is in a formal role or in an informal role. In addition to learning leadership skills, our Student Leadership group heads up our school's efforts to give back to our community through such activities as food drives and raising funds for non-profits. They also provide our prospective families with tours of our school. Mr. Boberg and Mrs. Whiteside coordinate Student Leadership and are invested in helping our fifth graders learn about being leaders.

Volunteer Code of Ethics - We welcome and support all volunteers that have completed a background check with the district. With your help we are able to do more for each child.

Volunteer Code of Ethics:

- Confidentiality- Please respect each student's confidentiality within our school building and in the community. This includes academic activities and behavioral observations.
- Responsibility- Remember to follow school policies and norms. Volunteering is to support student learning. Volunteering is not selecting playmates for your child, judging teachers, or bringing along siblings.
- Respect- Please respect each teacher's judgment and decisions. Acknowledge the teacher's professional background and training.
- Dependable- Remember to keep your appointments and contact the teacher through e-mail or voicemail if you cannot keep the appointment.
- Classroom Volunteer- Please stick to the assigned activity and work with all students.
- Time- Remember to respect the teacher's time by not engaging in an informal conference. Make an appointment to discuss your child's progress.

The Volunteer Code of Ethics is focused on creating an appropriate and safe learning environment for each Deephaven student. Your support of the Volunteer Code of Ethics will ensure that each child is afforded the respect and dignity he or she deserves in the learning environment.

NO SCHOOL on November 25 and 26 due to the Thanksgiving break.

No Winds next week due to the short week.

DID YOU KNOW?

[Season of Gratitude - Tonka Serves.pdf](#)

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

With the increase in COVID cases in the past few weeks, indoor group activities have become a concern. We want to make you aware that students who attend indoor group activities where someone is identified as COVID positive, may be subject to quarantine. We encourage you to consider carefully the risks involved with group gatherings during this time when we are seeing such a dramatic increase in positive cases in our community.

Please continue to watch your students closely. Unfortunately, the mildest of symptoms, or even no symptoms, can result in a positive COVID test. We continue to encourage everyone to wear a mask whenever in public and practice good handwashing.

As always, please contact us with questions or concerns.

The Health Office

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings we are discussing how to create a positive classroom. What does a positive classroom look like, sound like and feel like? Ask your child what he or she can do to help create a positive classroom.

PTA PULSE

It's hard to believe there is just one more week until Thanksgiving—we're grateful for everyone who is part of our school community. We'd love to have you join Deephaven's PTA. To get involved, reach out to PTA President, Amanda Sutter, at sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com.

Interested in volunteering? Check your inbox for the Deephaven Elementary Volunteer Opportunity (DEVO) e-blast. A new opportunity this week is to help with the Read-a-thon Reading Minute charts and display case. See the e-blast for details.

Upcoming Key Dates

Nov 10-30	J. Hilburn Fundraiser
Nov 17-Dec 17	Glove Drive
Nov 29	Bookmarks Due
Dec 6-10	Scholastic Book Fair - Media Center
Dec 8	Deephaven Dads Night Out - 6 to 9 pm Chanhassen Brewing Company

J. Hilburn PTA Fundraiser - November - 15% of sales benefit Deephaven

- To book an appointment with Stylist Jennifer Shinnars, please contact Jennifer directly at jennifer.shinnars@jhilburnpartner.com or 952-451-0988 and mention this fundraiser (Deephaven 15)
- Visit [Jennifer's J. Hilburn site](#) to check out the latest styles.

2021 Share the gLOVE Drive! - Nov 17-Dec 17

Help others stay warm this winter. Support the PTA Green Team's efforts by donating new or gently used mittens and gloves. Place items in the lobby bin next to the bookcase from now until December 17th. Donations will be delivered to Resource West - a local nonprofit helping families & individuals in the West Metro. Questions? Contact Wendy Duren wendyaduren@gmail.com

Bookmark Contest "Books Bring Us Together" - Due Nov 29

Have students turn in bookmarks to their teachers by November 29th. If you need an electronic copy of the template, email mork.jessica@gmail.com.

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

As we gear up for the book fair, remember that every purchase helps us put more books directly into your student's classroom and into our media center. The book fair will run Dec 6-10. Parents are welcome to visit after school on Tuesday & Wednesday night.

Deephaven Dads Night Out - Dec 8 - Join us for another Deephaven Dads' Night Out on Wednesday, Dec 8th from 6pm - 9pm at Chanhassen Brewing Company. Connect with fellow Dads of Deephaven. Questions contact Andy Punch at andrew@andrewpunch.com.