



THE WINDS February 1, 2023

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Feb. 1-28 Read-A-Thon
- Feb. 1 Student Leadership, 2:45 p.m.
- Feb. 2 Peaceful Bus
- Feb. 7 Dads' Night Out 6 p.m. at Excelsior Brewing
- Feb. 20 No School Presidents Day
- Feb. 21 Mom's Night Out 7 p.m. at Bull & Wren
- Feb. 28 Last Day to Order Yearbooks
- Feb. 11 Minnetonka Foundation Dream Makers Event
- Mar. 3 Imagination Fair Registration Deadline
- Mar. 11 Imagination Fair 10 a.m.
- Mar. 13-16 World Culture Week
- Mar. 16 PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m., Media Center ALL ARE WELCOME
- May 12 Deephaven Parent Party 6:30 p.m. at Cast & Cru

\*Find the full Minnetonka calendar on the website.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Read-a-Thon continues through the end of February. Please see the PTA Pulse for more details.

**Peaceful Bus** takes place tomorrow. We believe that Fox 9 News will be doing a story on this program at our school.

**Yearbook Orders** end on February 28. Order a yearbook today so your child will have one on the day they are distributed.

**Black History Month** – Classrooms will feature daily highlights of different African American leaders from all walks of life. Our morning announcements will share stories of leaders and their journey to becoming influential role models in the black community and beyond. The media center will also continue to feature black authors and encourage our students to explore these stories.

**WIN time- Grades K-3** On February 6th, Deephaven will begin implementing a more personalized approach to supporting our learners by introducing "WIN" ("What I Need") Time in grades K-3. This 30-minute intentional block of time will be used for teachers, interventionists, and support staff to personalize instruction to further meet the unique needs of each learner in every classroom. It is a period of reinforcement, support, and/or enrichment that will be data driven, monitored, and focused on positive results for our students.

No School on Monday, February 20 - Presidents Day

# Tips to make afternoon pick-up move a little faster.

- 1. Kindergarten/1st grade parents should be the first cars to arrive.
  - K-1 arrival 2:30
  - 2-5 arrival 2:40
- 2. Quickly help your child into the car. Teach them how to buckle up and be ready to go.
- 3. Pull down to the stop sign and your child will come to you.
- 4. Wait in the line. Parking in a spot and walking across the pickup lane to grab your child creates a backup when you cross over and again when you back your car out.

# **OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION**

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings we will talk about ways to improve classroom transitions. We will also discuss multiple scenarios of what could happen during recess or transition times and how to solve them.

## PTA PULSE

Questions, comments or ideas - reach out to PTA President, Polly Madsen, at 617-571-3877 or madsen.polly@gmail.com.

**Buy your 2022-2023 Yearbooks!** - The FINAL day to order yearbooks is February 28. Click <u>here</u> to order! Questions can be directed to Sara @ <u>deephavenyearbook1@gmail.com</u>.

**Deephaven Dads' Night Out** - Feb. 7, 6 p.m. Join us at Excelsior Brewing. Open to new and old families... Dads, Grandpas, and caretakers of any kind.

**Deephaven Moms' Night Out** - Feb. 21, 6 p.m. Moms, Grandmas, and caretakers of any kind please join us for a Deephaven Moms' Night Out at Bull & Wren Excelsior. This is a buy your own beverage/food event with no formal agenda - just a laid-back way to connect with other Deephaven Families!

**Imagination Fair** - it's back! Save the Date: Saturday, March 11, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. It is time for your kids to share their creativity. Legos, art, cardboard creations, sewing, STEM, coding, etc. - show us what you got. Our theme is "Show Us What You Got." This isn't a science fair. It is a celebration of unique and creative ideas and projects. Students can work in groups or alone. <u>Registration via Google Form</u> due Friday 3/3.

# READ-A-THON STARTS THIS WEEK! FEBRUARY 1-28

# "Bolder, Prouder, Stronger Readers"

# Go bold! Grab a hold of a book! The Read-A-Thon begins this week!

Boldly borrow a board book, proudly peruse a paperback, or strengthen your reading skills with a sci-fi audiobook — no matter what you like to read, all of it counts during the Read-A-Thon. Be sure to register for the Read-A-Thon which starts this week and runs through the entire month of February!

The Read-A-Thon reinforces good reading habits in students while raising funds for a variety of school-wide enrichment programs.

## How It Works:

Help your student register today!

- Go to <a href="https://pledgestar.com/deephaven/">https://pledgestar.com/deephaven/</a>
- Enter parent/guardian's name and email address, click Register, and enroll student.

• Parents/guardians can pledge or send out requests to receive pledges from family and friends through Pledgestar.

Students' school and personal emails cannot be used in Pledgestar. Registration, logging of reading minutes, and sending of pledge requests must be completed by parent/guardian.

# What Reading Counts?

- All reading minutes count from February 1 February 28.
- Students can read books, listen to audiobooks, or have others read to them.
- Minutes read at home will count.
- Approved school time will count including class time set aside for reading, reading with a specialist or another adult, and reading in Explorers before or after school.
- Reading minutes and pledges must be logged by parents/guardians by Friday March 3rd.

Logging minutes in Pledgestar is the only way for children to get credit for their hard work.

**PRIZES!!!** New this year – prizes are cumulative! Earn prizes by reading and logging minutes. Consider setting a personal goal for your student to receive a special prize that will motivate them.

Each student who sends out one pledge request or raises \$25 in pledges by Saturday, February 4th will receive an I Love to Read bracelet!

**Questions?** Email Sarah Min and Jessica at <u>deephavenreadathon@gmail.com</u> for more information!