



THE WINDS
February 8, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb. 1-28	Read-A-Thon
Feb. 15	Student Leadership, 2:45 p.m.
Feb. 20	No School - Presidents Day
Feb. 21	Mom's Night Out - 7 p.m. at Bull & Wren
Feb. 22	Wacky Wednesday: Favorite Book Character
Feb. 28	Last Day to Order Yearbooks
Feb. 11	Minnetonka Foundation Dream Makers Event
Mar. 2	Conferences, 3-7 p.m.
Mar. 3	No School - Conferences
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

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

National School Counseling Week is this week. Thank you, **Troy Dvorak**, Deephaven's counselor, for all you do to support our students. Whether you are meeting with one student, a group of students, or talking to an entire class, you make a huge difference in the lives of our students.

Spring Conferences – Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 2, from 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. (in person) and on Friday, March 3, from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (virtually). Our goal is to have all our parents participate. You will be receiving an email on Thursday, February 9 at 6 p.m. with instructions on how to sign up for conferences. Please work directly with your child's teacher if you would like to meet in person on Friday.

The deadline to sign up for conferences/make changes is Wednesday, March 1 at 3 p.m.

No School - Friday, March 3.

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

Attendance – During wintery weather we delay taking attendance until 8:10 a.m. on days when traffic is moving more slowly. As we move toward better weather, we want to let you know it is important to have your child at school each day between 7:50 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. After 8:00 a.m. your child is late and will be marked tardy. To excuse a tardy, you must come into school and sign your child in when they arrive.

Lines of Communication at Deephaven - Begin with the adult closest to the situation. Following our lines of communication allows for staff involved to resolve the concern.

1. Staff member involved
2. Classroom teacher
3. Health/attendance office
4. Principal/Assistant Principal
5. Superintendent

2-hour Early Release on Friday, February 17. **Dismissal will take place at 12:40 p.m.**

No School on Monday, February 20 – Presidents Day

No School on Friday, March 3 - Conferences

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings we are talking about how to be safe and respectful in the lunchroom as well as to and from school. Remember, if you ever feel confused or bullied by something or someone, tell your parents or another adult you trust right away.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Valentine's Day poses unique challenges for students with life threatening food allergies. Please remember our classroom food guidelines. Food allergens, especially dairy, peanuts and tree nuts are found in many types of chocolates and other candies. Read all labels carefully before you send any food/candy items to school or put them in Valentine cards. **We encourage you to consider non-food treats for Valentine's Day.** Thank you.

PTA PULSE

February is rocking and rolling, and we're happy to be full steam ahead with this month's Read-a-Thon!

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

IMAGINATION FAIR - it's back! Save the Date Saturday, March 11th 10 am - 12 pm. 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. Registration via [Google Form](#) due Friday 3/3.

Art Adventure 2023 for Grades 1st, 3rd and 5th - it's almost here!

Come be a part of our amazing partnership with MIA. All students in 1st, 3rd and 5th grade will be presented with approximately 6 art works from the Amazing Animals in Art set between March, April and May. Parent volunteers can come to the classroom to discuss the pieces using posters and other tools. Typically, two art works are discussed at each classroom visit for a total of 3 visits. Each classroom can have more than one

volunteer. If you are interested in being an Art Adventure volunteer, please look out for opportunities on [membership toolkit](#). For questions, please contact: Caryn Jakucki at cjakucki@gmail.com.

READ-A-THON WEEK #2! FEBRUARY 1-28

“Bolder, Prouder, Stronger Readers”

The Read-A-Thon is off to a great start! Beat the winter blahs with books! It's not too late to register and start reading! Go to <https://pledgestar.com/deephaven/>.

Week #1 Results

- There are 525 students participating in the Read-A-Thon. We're at 78% participation so kids will enjoy an extra recess! With 90% participation, there will be popcorn and a movie day for all!
- Students have read a total of 99,046 minutes! We're at 15% of our goal to read 635,000 minutes so that our teachers and staff get slimed!
- We're at almost 50% of our goal to raise \$60,000. Students who have sent five or more pledge requests by Saturday, February 11th will receive a prize next week! Students who have sent 20 or more pledge requests by Saturday, February 11th will be entered into a raffle for a pizza party for their entire class!
- Congrats to our weekly drawing winner, Mia H.! Mia is in Mrs. Peters' Third Grade class!

Students who log 330 minutes or secure \$50 in pledges before this Saturday, February 11th will be entered into the weekly drawing!

PRIZES!!! Earn prizes by reading and logging minutes. Check out a full list of prizes at deephavenreadathon.com.

Logging minutes in Pledgestar by **Friday, March 3rd** is the only way for children to get credit for their hard work! Our contest is governed by Minnetonka's Code of Conduct so it's important that parents or guardians enter their students' minutes as accurately as possible to maintain the integrity of our event. Thank you!

Questions? Please visit deephavenreadathon.com or email deephavenreadathon@gmail.com for more information!