



THE WINDS
JANUARY 15, 2020

Important Dates

January 17	9:10-2:10 Grade 4 Field Trip to Mill City
January 17	9:10-12:00 Grade 3 Field Trip to the Physics Force Show
January 20	NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 22	1:00-2:00 Grade 5 Spelling Bee
January 23	9:20-12:30 Grade 2 Field Trip to The Works
January 27-31	Para educator Appreciation Week
January 27	NO SCHOOL – Teacher Planning and Grading Day
January 29	Wacky Wednesday – Wear Mismatched Clothes!
January 31	8:30-9:00 a.m. Grade 5 Band Concert (front gym)
February 1	Dream Makers Event at Bavaria Downs in Victoria, MN

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Geography Bee – The 5th grade Geography Bee was held this past Monday. Congratulations to the runner up, Asher Lepper, and to the champion, Maeve Henderleiter. We'd also like to congratulate all of the participants for their hard work.

Spelling Bee – The 5th grade Spelling Bee will be held next Wednesday, January 22, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

Para educator Appreciation Week is from January 27-January 31. We are grateful for the classroom and Special Education para educator staff we have at Deephaven. They are an integral part of the daily lives of our students and teachers.

Peaceful Bus is a program we run at Deephaven three times a year. Our first event was held on October 23, 2019, and our second event will be on Thursday, January 30. The program consists of bringing students together in their bus group, Explorer's group or

student pick up/drop off group for 30 minutes to develop relationships among the students and with the adults in charge at that time of day. We invite all of the bus drivers to DeePhaven and most are able to attend the event. Students learn more about their bus driver and discuss ways to work together as a group while riding the bus. All DeePhaven staff are involved and attend one of the group meetings. It is a great partnership we have developed with our bus company and the drivers. Please take time to introduce yourself to your child's bus driver, at some point during the school year, if you are at the bus stop.

February is Black History month and at DeePhaven, we will be offering students the opportunity to celebrate the contributions of many African-American people. There will be themes throughout the month to promote knowledge of various leaders and areas of strength, such as fine arts, politics, sports, literacy, math and science. Each grade level will have a speaker and/or special event during the month. If you would like to volunteer or get involved, please reach out to Patti Berger pattioberger@gmail.com or Susan Allen susn01@yahoo.com. More information on dates and events will be coming soon.

The Dream Makers event is on February 1, 2020 - This year's event will be held at Bavaria Downs in Victoria. Click this link for more information and to purchase tickets <https://www.minnetonkaschools.org/district/partners/minnetonka-foundation/dream-makers>

February is also "I Love to Read" month, and we are looking forward to a lot of fun activities that the PTA is putting together for the Read-A-Thon. Check out the PTA Pulse for more details.

No school on Monday, January 20, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. day.

The 5th grade band concert is on Friday, January 31, from 8:30-9:00 a.m. in the front gym. We will have the playground open for parking. Please refrain from parking next door at MCEC as they have their own families to accommodate for their different programs throughout the day.

DID YOU KNOW?

Get your YEARBOOK! Order your DeePhaven yearbook today for \$28.00! Prices will increase after February 21. Visit www.jostens.com and select **Buy Your Yearbook** from the yearbook drop-down menu. Here is the direct link:

https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1128491/Deephaven-Elementary-School/2020-Yearbook/20190910043805893109/CATALOG_SHOP/

PTA PULSE

Now is a great time to get prepared for one of our most engaging PTA fundraisers, the Read-A-Thon, which starts February 1. Head to your own shelves or your local library to get your book line-up ready for a great month of reading. See below for details on what the Read-A-Thon is all about!

Upcoming Key Dates:

January 31 Outdoor Classroom Bids Due

PTA Project Spotlight: Read-A-Thon - One of the most fun ways the PTA fosters academic enrichment with our Deephaven students is through February's Read-A-Thon. From February 1-24, students log their minutes, engage their families and friends in support, and have a lot of fun along the way! With prizes for participation for individuals, classes, and the school, it's no surprise that the whole community gets involved! In fact, last year, our school achieved over 75% student participation! Look for more details coming later this month on how your student can READ, READ, READ!

Outdoor Classroom Bids Due January 31 - The PTA has been working to reenvision our Outdoor Classroom to create a newly inspired setting for learning. To bring it to life, we are looking for landscapers and landscaping companies to help in design and implementation. If you are a landscaper, or have a connection to one who might be willing to support, please contact Sponsorship Chair Jamie Paz at jamiehpaz@gmail.com for details on the bidding process and sponsorship opportunities. Bids are due January 31.