



THE WINDS
DECEMBER 4, 2019

Important Dates

December 6	8:30 a.m. Grade 5 Choir Concert (front gym)
December 9	HOUR OF CODE WEEK
December 12	12:30-2:00 Grade 3 Ellis Island Simulation
December 12	6:00-7:30 p.m. Kindergarten Options Night (parents only-front gym)
December 12	7:00 p.m. Grade 5 Deephaven/Groveland Orchestra Concert @ the Excelsior Elementary Auditorium
December 13	7:30-7:55 School Store (front hall)
December 13	Dream Makers PJ Day
December 13	8:10-1:30 Grade 3 Field Trip to MN History Center
December 18	2:40-3:45 Student Leadership (media center)
December 20	12:15-2:15 Grade 5 Field Trip to Tuttle's Bowling
Dec 23-Jan 3	NO SCHOOL – WINTER BREAK
January 6, 2020	FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL AFTER WINTER BREAK

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

The ICA Food Drive wrapped up today. Thank you for your generous donations to our ICA Food Drive. Students Leadership led this effort and we are proud of their work. Our Deephaven students have helped many families in need during this holiday season.

Grade 5 Choir Concert is this Friday, December 6, starting at 8:30 a.m. in the front gym. The playground parking lot will be open for parking. **Please refrain from parking at the Community Education building next door as they have their own families to accommodate.**

Thursday, December 12:

- **Third Grade Ellis Island Simulation** from 12:30-2:00 p.m.

- **Kindergarten Information Night** – from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the front gym for all parents with incoming kindergarten students.
- **Fifth Grade Orchestra Concert** at 7:00 p.m. at the Excelsior Elementary Auditorium.

Taking Attendance – We realize that some days, traffic is slower than others. On days when the weather impacts driving and our drop-off line is long, we will hold attendance until the rush has ended. Please continue to focus on safety and take your time as you move through the drop-off process. Also, students arriving on a late bus will not be marked as tardy.

Dream Makers PJ Day is Friday, December 13. Students are asked to bring a donation for the Minnetonka Foundation on PJ Day. The money collected will be used to purchase an item to be auctioned off at the Dream Makers event. The funds raised at the event go toward supporting our students. **A donation is not required for students to participate in PJ Day.**

Hour of Code Week is approaching! During the week of December 9, Deephaven will be celebrating “Hour of Code Week” with activities that integrate computer coding and computer science.

A few highlights to look forward to are:

- After-school coding parties for grades 1-5
- In-school coding parties for all kindergartners
- Computer Science/Coding curriculum lessons in the classroom
- A challenge to see how many hours of code Deephaven students can complete during the week!

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/

Lakeshore Weekly Newspaper- Holiday Essay Contest - Lakeshore Weekly News is running its third annual holiday memories essay contest, and they invite Minnetonka students and families to submit an essay about a holiday memory. Contest winners and honorable mentions will have their stories featured in the December 26 issue of the Lakeshore Weekly News. The deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17. Essays should be 350 words or fewer. Send your stories by email to Frances Stevenson at fstevenson@swpub.com or drop them off at the Lakeshore Weekly News office, 1001 Twelve Oaks Center Drive, Suite 1017, in Wayzata. Entrants must include their name, address and phone number for verification purposes. Students who submit essays are encouraged to share their grade level.

Tonka Green and Student Leadership would like to thank all of the families who were able to donate items for the Share the gLOVE drive. We will be delivering 99 items to Prism this week! (see attached photo)

PTA PULSE

We hope everyone had a relaxing Thanksgiving break!

Upcoming Key Dates

December 5-7 StyleHunt PTA Fundraiser

Style Hunt Shopping Event -- Begins TOMORROW, December 5! It's beginning to look a lot like shopping....for a cause....The Deephaven Elementary PTA! Style Hunt owner and Deephaven mom, Darcy Marcus, would like to invite all of you to shop her store from December 5-7. With the mention of supporting the Deephaven PTA, 20% of proceeds from your purchase will go back to enrichment at our school. Stop Style Hunt at 266 Water St, Excelsior, anytime during these dates, or join for even more fun during an exclusive private shopping event on December 5th from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. RSVPs for the Private Shopping Event are appreciated: stylehuntmn@gmail.com. Thank you, Darcy, and Happy Shopping!

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