

THE WINDS NOVEMBER 4, 2020

Important Dates

November 4 P.M.	2-HOUR EARLY RELEASE-SCHOOL ENDS AT 2:40
November 10-23	Virtual Book Fair (see details in PTA Pulse)
November 11	2-HOUR EARLY RELEASE-SCHOOL ENDS AT 2:40 P.M.
November 11	Virtual Veterans' Day Slide Show (details to come)
November 11	6:30 PM – Virtual Kindergarten Information Night
November 12 Night	6:30 PM – IN-PERSON Kindergarten Information
November 13	NO SCHOOL – GRADING/PLANNING DAY
November 20	Picture Retake Day
November 24	PJ Day (ALL SCHOOL)
November 26-27	NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK
November 30	2-HOUR LATE START-SCHOOL STARTS AT 10:00 A.M.
December 9	2-HOUR EARLY RELEASE-SCHOOL ENDS AT 2:40 P.M.
December 9	6:30 PM – Virtual Kindergarten Information Night

Dec 24-Jan 1 WINTER BREAK (last day Dec. 23 – first day back Jan. 4)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Deephaven School Report will take place tomorrow night at the School Board meeting. I will be presenting on our ways of supporting mental health and share our counselor's approach to working with students.

Early Release Days are today, November 11 and December 9. School ends at 12:40 and lunch will be served. Also a reminder that we have a late start day on November 30. Classes will start at 10:00 a.m. at Deephaven and the high school. You will be able to start dropping off your children at 9:30 a.m.

Red, White & Blue on Veterans' Day - Show your support! Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts....wear your uniforms! Not a Scout? Wear red, white and/or blue to help us celebrate Veterans' Day on Wednesday, November 11.

Veterans' Day Celebration on November 11. In lieu of our annual Veterans' Day all school assembly, as well as the individual classroom visits by Veterans, we will be honoring our Veterans by collecting pictures of them and creating a slideshow to be shown to all students on Veterans' Day. Please send photos of your loved ones to <u>martachou@hotmail.com</u>. The pictures can be of the Veteran in uniform or not, from their time of service or present day, and without or without our Deephaven students also in the picture. The more pictures, the better! We will make this slideshow available to the larger Deephaven community to view as well.

There is no school on November 26 and 27 due to the Thanksgiving break. There will be no Winds on Wednesday, November 25.

Do you have an incoming kindergartner next school year? This year, we have three events to talk about kindergarten options. It is highly recommended that you click on the link below to sign up:

- November 11: Virtual meeting starting at 6:30 p.m.
- November 12: In-person meeting starting at 6:30 p.m.
- December 9: Virtual meeting starting at 6:30 p.m.

Since we will need to social distance families for our in-person event, we will have limited space to accommodate people in our gymnasium. If at all

possible, please send one parent/guardian from each family so that other families have the opportunity to attend. It is imperative that you sign up in advance so that we are keeping our numbers in check. If we hit our max number of people for the in-person event, you will be notified and asked to participate in one of the virtual meetings. PLEASE REFRAIN FROM BRINGING YOUR INCOMING KINDERGARTNER OR SIBLINGS TO THE EVENT FOR SAFETY REASONS.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1WsKHSHmFXy4cBcKSr4gSTDJu8VkHLSC H8W8RDP8foNo/edit

DID YOU KNOW?

ORDERING PICTURES – You may still order your child's pictures on-line through the Strawbridge website.

- Click on this link https://www.strawbridge.net/
- Click on "Order Pictures and Yearbooks" (yearbooks will be printed by Jostens later in the year)

Enter the code FM343950

• Follow instructions to order your photo packages

If you would prefer to pay be check or cash, please email Stephanie Pearson at stephanie.pearson@minnetonkaschools.org, with your child's name and teacher, and she will send home a paper order form with your child.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

If you, your child, or anyone in your household has possible COVIDlike symptoms, ALL household members should remain at home until further evaluation by a health care provider. If you choose not to contact a health care provider, we ask that all household members remain at home until you have spoken with the Health Office. If anyone in your household has been tested for COVID-19, **ALL** household members should remain at home until test results are known.

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

We hope everyone had a great Halloween! Thanks again to this year's room parents for supporting fall celebrations in our classrooms.

Now that we're entering the cooler months, it's a great time to think about fall reading lists. Take time with your student now to brainstorm some good book ideas for the **Virtual Book Fair** coming up later this month. See below for details.

If you are interested in getting involved in the PTA and our school community, we'd love to hear from you. Please reach out to PTA President, Amanda Sutter, at <u>sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com</u> or 952-826-9856 to learn more.

Upcoming Key Dates

November 10-23: Virtual Book Fair

Virtual Book Fair -- We are excited to announce that our Book Fair will be available this year in a new, virtual, format from **November 10 - 23.** You will receive a link at the start of the book fair to view all available books, as well as a Google document, including teacher wish lists. Books will be mailed directly to your home, with free shipping on book orders of \$25 or more. An added bonus? All purchases made during the book fair earn Scholastic Dollars for our PTA, which are distributed to teachers and staff to purchase materials for their classrooms.