



**THE WINDS**  
**March 15, 2023**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Mar. 13-16	World Culture Week
Mar. 15	Student Leadership, 2:45 p.m.
Mar. 16	World Culture Fair - Family Night, 4-6 p.m.
Mar. 17	Grade 2 Music Program, 9:50 a.m.
Mar. 20-24	Tackle Cancer - Spring Drive
Mar. 29	Wacky Wednesday: Favorite Color Day
Mar. 31	<b>No School</b> - Planning/Grading Day
Apr. 3-7	<b>No School</b> - Spring Break
Apr. 13	Lighthouse Publishing submissions due
Apr. 20	Annual Deephaven Student Art Exhibition, 5-7 p.m.
Apr. 25	Lighthouse Publishing Ceremony, 9:15 a.m.
May 12	Deephaven Parent Party - 6:30 p.m. at Cast & Cru

\*Find the full [Minnetonka calendar on the website](#).

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

**Lunch Menu Update** - Due to supply unavailability, we will be having **Beef Nachos on Thursday** instead of Turkey Nachos, and **Cheese Calzone with Marinara Dipping Sauce on Friday** instead of Grilled Cheese.

**Deephaven Family Night Culture Fair** tomorrow night from 4-6pm **in the front gym at Deephaven Elementary School** to learn about more than 20 countries and cultures represented at our school: Australia, China, Colombia, Denmark, Ecuador, Mexico and Peru...to name a few! Students, staff and families will be sharing various traditions including foods, activities, decor, clothing and more. Prizes are available, too!

**Parent Input Forms DUE March 31** - You may complete a Parent Input form and return it to your child's teacher. Forms are available in the office. The deadline to turn in your form is Friday, March 31. We will do our best to take your input into consideration as we build class lists for next year. We do not guarantee that we can accommodate all requests due to the difficult task of creating balanced classrooms.

**Tackle Cancer Drive: March 20 to March 24**

Help to Tackle Cancer with a donation to the Randy Shaver Cancer Research foundation. Bring in your coins, dollars, or a check made out to the Randy Shaver Cancer Research foundation. Special recognition will be given to the homeroom that raises the most money for Tackle Cancer! Learn more about the Randy Shaver Cancer Research Foundation by clicking on [this link](#).

**Wacky Wednesday** takes place on Wednesday, March 29. Students are encouraged to wear their favorite color. These are fun days at school and participation has been high. The entire staff looks forward to seeing our students dressed up based on the Wacky Wednesday theme.

**No School** Friday, Mar 31 - Grading/Planning Day

**Spring Break** is the week of April 3-7

**Deephaven Elementary Annual Student Art Exhibition** - You are invited to attend The Deephaven Elementary Annual Student Art Exhibition on **Thursday, April 20th from 5:00 - 7:00 PM.**

Each year we celebrate the efforts and accomplishments of Deephaven Elementary artists by displaying their art in the school hallways. Every Deephaven art student will have one work of art on display. Come and enjoy the art, make a craft to take home, and leave compliments for your favorite artworks.

**MCA Testing for Grades 3-5** Please avoid scheduling appointments for your child(ren) when MCA testing is taking place this spring:

- Math- April 18-20
- Reading- April 25-27
- Science- May 2-4

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### **OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION**

This week in our Olweus classroom meeting we will be talking about how we are alike and how we are different. We will also discuss how these similarities and differences make us a stronger class. Students will also be reflecting about how lessons about bullying have changed their attitude and behavior this year.

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### **PTA PULSE**

We're enjoying World Culture Week and hope to see all of you at the Family Night Culture Fair tomorrow. The PTA will have a table there so stop by with any questions you might have. Or reach out to PTA President, Polly Madsen, at 617-571-3877 or [madsen.polly@gmail.com](mailto:madsen.polly@gmail.com).

**Family Night Culture Fair - Thurs March 16th 4:00-6:00.** Join us for a celebration of cultures and countries that resonate with our Deephaven families. We will have crafts, bites, music, and more as we share what makes us special. Mark your calendars and help us wrap up World Culture Week.

### **Lighthouse Publishing - Submissions due Apr 13**

Time to sharpen those writing pencils! Our 3rd Lighthouse Publishing event will happen after spring break. This is the last session of the year and is open to first graders as well as 2nd-5th.

### **What is Lighthouse Publishing?**

Students in Grades 1-5 can write anything they want! - poems, short stories, novels, comic strips. The stories are then bound into an official book which is presented to the author during an official Lighthouse Publishing ceremony. Parents and guests are invited to the ceremony to see the Authors presented with their newly published book. The Ceremony will take place on April 25th at 9:15am in the front gym.

Please email submissions in the attached template to: [deephaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com](mailto:deephaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com). (Parents may need to help, by typing their child's story into the template)

### **READ-A-THON – WINNERS AND VOLUNTEERS**

#### **“Bolder, Prouder, Stronger Readers”**

Congratulations to Sra. Gong's first grade class! They have won the Wacky Wednesday pizza party raffle! Interested in leading the Read-A-Thon next year? Please email [mork.jessica@gmail.com](mailto:mork.jessica@gmail.com).