



THE WINDS
April 12, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

Apr. 12	Student Leadership, 2:45 p.m.
Apr. 13	Lighthouse Publishing submissions due
Apr. 13	Mom's Night Out
Apr. 17-21	Explorers Staff Appreciation Week
Apr. 17-21	Kindness Week!
Apr. 20	Annual Deephaven Student Art Exhibition, 5-7 p.m.
Apr. 25	Lighthouse Publishing Ceremony, 9:15 a.m.
Apr. 26	Wacky Wednesday: Silly Sock & Hair Day
May 6	Donuts with Dads & Dudes - 8-10 a.m. Excelsior Masonic Lodge
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

We need your help. Please look through your old children's books at home and donate them to our book drive next week. We also will accept new books, but we are hoping each family will donate the books they no longer use.

Deephaven is partnering with the Excelsior Rotary Club to bring used books to four non-profits that will put the books into the hands of families in need that have young children. Look through your storage room for books that you once read to your kids and save them for our **Book Drive from April 17- May 1**. Save the date! Volunteers will also be needed on May 2 to organize and box up books that have been donated. Please email Bryan McGinley at bryan.mcginley@minnetonkaschools.org if you would like to volunteer on May 2.

MCA Testing for Grades 3-5 MCA takes place in April for students in **grades 3-5**. Listed below are the testing windows for each grade level. Please keep in mind that **proper sleep and good nutrition** are extra helpful during testing weeks. Please avoid scheduling appointments for your child(ren) when MCA testing is taking place this spring. Your child's teacher will provide you with further testing details.

MCA Testing Schedule:

- Math: April 18-20 (Grades 3-5)
- Reading: April 25-28 (Grades 3-5)
- Science: May 2-4 (Grade 5 only)

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.

Tackle Cancer Fundraiser Update

Thank you for everyone's support during the fundraiser last week. Deephaven raised \$721.75 this year and \$12,347.64 as a district. On Wednesday, March 29, we had a visit from high school football players: Milos Spasojevic, Cal Worley, Roman Johnson and Sam Shiff stopping by to say thanks to the students during lunch and recess. Thanks for all your support again!

Statewide Tornado Drills

Deephaven will participate in the statewide tornado drill this Thursday, April 20 at 1:45 p.m. Families are encouraged to practice at home during the second drill on Thursday, April 20 at 6:45 p.m.

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings we will match our school rules about bullying to pretend situations. Family discussion item: Imagine that you saw two friends telling your other friend that she couldn't play. What school rule does this match with? What would you do? Our Olweus rule is that we will try to include others who are left out.

PTA PULSE

Want to get involved at the school? Contact PTA President, Polly Madsen, at 617-571-3877 or madsen.polly@gmail.com.

Lighthouse Publishing - April 13 - Submissions due! Lighthouse Publishing is a way for our elementary authors to write their own story, poem, comic strip, etc. Our last round of publishing opens up participation to 1st graders, so grades 1-5 are invited. Using the [attached template](#), have your child write a story of their choice (parents can type for our younger authors). Send to: deephaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com.

The books will get their covers laminated, stories printed out and be bound into a book the child will receive at the ceremony, along with a certificate and a few extra "treats." **Ceremony date: Tuesday, April 25th 9:15 in front gym** Parents/siblings/family/friends invited. The classroom with the most participation wins a classroom pizza party!

Deephaven Mom's Night Out - April 13 6:00-9:00pm Moms, Grandmas, and Caretakers of any kind please join us for Deephaven Moms' Night Out at Base Camp Coffee & Provisions.

Kindness Week - April 17—20 Keep an eye out for the Kindness choice board being sent home on Monday. Students that complete and return the board will get a Culver's kids meal coupon. And make sure to stop by the Kindness table at the Art Expo next week to create your kindness rocks. Reach out to Becca Anderson rconn229@gmail.com or Kate Whiting Katelyn.m.whiting@gmail.com with any questions!

Donuts with Dads & Dudes - Saturday, May 6 from 8 – 10am at the Excelsior Masonic Lodge @ 249 Water St. Join us for a fun & memorable morning celebrating the Dads & Dudes in our lives. Kids are invited to bring Dads, Grandparents, Uncles or other Special Dudes for this event. There will be coffee, milk, juice, & donuts. Event sponsored by Deephaven PTA and Excelsior Masonic Lodge No. 113. Contact Andrew Punch (612-810-5784) with questions.

Deephaven Parent Party - Friday, May 12 from 6:30-11pm at Cast and Cru in Excelsior. Join Deephaven parents for a Casino Royale themed evening to help raise funds for Deephaven Elementary. We will have a silent and live auction, casino games, DJ and Dancing, drinks and lite bites. **Our goal is to raise \$30,000 to support our PTA's annual teacher grants for literacy building & learning.**

Buy your tickets now! <https://app.memberhub.gives/dpp23/Campaign/Details> We look forward to spending a special evening with you in support of our beloved children and school. Questions? Please contact Kate Krejci - kate.krejci@gmail.com.

Parent Party Donations - Our annual Parent Party is quickly approaching! If you have something you would like to donate to our Parent Party auction please reach out and help us raise money for our school. Auction chair: Kelli Deeg - kellideeg@gmail.com.