



THE WINDS

DECEMBER 2, 2020

Important Dates

December 9 P.M.	2-HOUR EARLY RELEASE-SCHOOL ENDS AT 12:40
December 9	6:30 PM – Virtual Kindergarten Information Night
Dec 24-Jan 1 Jan. 4)	WINTER BREAK (last day Dec. 23 – first day back

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Early Release – Next Wednesday, December 9, school and childcare will dismiss 2 hours early. **Deephaven's dismissal time will be 12:40 p.m.** and lunch will be served.

Material Pick Up - The front doors of the school will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. to pick up classroom materials from the front gym. Your child's teacher would have already notified you if you were to pick up items. Please enter through the office if you arrive between 8:00 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.

Dismissal will continue to be staggered for students attending Deephaven childcare.

Grade	Dismissal Time
K-1	2:30
2-3	2:35
4-5	2:40

Please arrive 5 minutes before your child's dismissal time so we can keep the pickup line moving.

Information for parents with a child at Deephaven in our childcare model:

Schedule – Students will be following their regular school schedule. This includes outside recess. Please make sure your child has his/her winter gear each day.

Change in plans – Parents with students on site in our childcare model will need to contact the office before 2:00 p.m. if there is a change in the end of day plans. A common example may be that a child is planning on taking the bus home and the parent wants to pick their child up. In these cases, we need to know by 2:00 p.m. or the original plan needs to be followed.

Communication should take place with the classroom teacher and NOT the pod para. The pod para will be communicating to the teacher rather than to parents.

Elementary Counselors introduce themselves in the attached video. They also share our mission and an overview of Social Thinking. This month's theme is "The Group Plan".

<https://youtu.be/6qK2LpTkfts>

Technology Resources

Grades K-8

[Single Sign On Family Directions](#)

[Tonka Tech Resources: All Parent/Student Directions](#)

Grades K-3

[Parent Directions for Seesaw Class/Home Learning Codes at Home](#)

Grades 4-8

[Schoolgy Parent Instructions](#)

DID YOU KNOW?

PICTURE RETAKE DAY – We are working on a plan to see if we can still host a picture retake day on December 10. We will update you as soon as we have more information.

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)

You must enter the code that came along with your child's proof

- Follow instructions to order your photo packages

**If you would prefer to pay by 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 COVID-like 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 will be talking about being assertive. We will also discuss how being able to read body language and facial cues can help us understand people, situations and solutions.

PTA PULSE

We hope everyone had a restful Thanksgiving break and is re-charged to support each other during distance learning.

Thank you to everyone who participated in November's Virtual Book Fair to support the love of reading in our community and to fuel home libraries and teachers' classrooms with new books. With over \$5,500 in sales, the PTA will receive \$1,300+ in the form of Scholastic dollars to help our teachers and specialists build their classroom libraries! A special thank you to the Book Fair committee: Emily Scherschlight, Cally Scholtec, Heather LaRock, Megan Goodrich, and Nicole Schneider for their efforts to pivot to this virtual format.

During this season of gratitude, we also wanted to highlight our **2020-21 Deephaven PTA Title Sponsor, Sarah Polovitz** of the

Rauth Polovitz / Edina Realty team. Sarah's commitment to our school makes the mission of the PTA possible -- fostering academic and cultural enrichment, social connection, and smooth school operations.

If you are interested in getting more involved in the PTA, please reach out to Amanda Sutter (sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com or 952-826-9856).