



## Read-a-Thon February 1-28

“Reading is the Ultimate Adventure”

[www.deephavenreadathon.com](http://www.deephavenreadathon.com)

Visit the website above for all the information you need for your student to participate

## WINDS

### January 27, 2021

#### Important Dates

January 25-29	PARAPROFESSIONAL APPRECIATION WEEK
January 28	NO SCHOOL – Transition Planning for Staff
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February 1	K-5 In-Person at Deephaven Begins
February 1-28	Read-A-Thon (see details in “PTA Pulse”)
February 12	TWO-HOUR EARLY RELEASE (school ends at 12:40 p.m./lunch will be served)
February 15	NO SCHOOL - PRESIDENTS' DAY
February 23	DRESS UP DAY - DRESS AS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK CHARACTER!

## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

**Paraprofessional Appreciation Week** – This is Paraprofessional Appreciation week at Deephaven. We are acknowledging the helpful role all of our paras play at Deephaven for our students and teachers. They supervise students at recess and in the lunchroom. They also help support students with behavior and academics in the classroom. This year, our paras have demonstrated great flexibility in their work assignments and helped to make our hybrid and e-Learning models a success. Please join us in sharing your appreciation for the great work our paras do every day at Deephaven. Thank you, Deephaven paras. You are the best!

**I Love to Read/Read-a-Thon Month** begins on February 1. This PTA-run event is our largest fundraiser of the year, and it promotes reading among our students. Please see the PTA Pulse for more information.

### **School Calendar Reminder:**

- No School on Thursday, January 28, or Friday January 29. Transition days for teachers to prepare for in-person learning on Monday.
- K-5 in-person learning begins on Monday, February 1. Parents may drop off their child(ren) between 7:30-7:50 a.m. The first bell is at 7:50 a.m. and school starts at 8:00 a.m.

### **Plan for School Tomorrow, Friday and Monday:**

- **No School on January 28 and 29** – Transition days for teachers.
- **January 28 and 29 Childcare** – Childcare for students currently in our Childcare option will take place on the transition days of January 28 and 29. These are non-school days. The regular Childcare para will be supervising students and activities will be provided throughout the day for the students.
- **Monday, February 1** - In-person learning at Deephaven Elementary starts for all students K-5.

### **February 1, In-Person Learning:**

Teachers are preparing for the arrival of all K-5 students on Monday. We will have all students in their homeroom classrooms and social distancing has been reduced from 6 feet to 3 feet between students. Adults will continue to maintain 6 feet of distance between students and other adults. Students will be eating in their classroom. Recess will continue to have zones of play in

order to keep students socially distanced from other classrooms. Specialists will travel to classrooms to provide instruction, other than P.E. The wearing of masks and thorough handwashing will continue to be enforced.

**The Map of Classrooms** for Monday, February 1, is attached to this week's Winds. All students in K-5 will be in school at Deephaven next week. Fourth and fifth graders will no longer be at the high school. All K-5 classrooms are identified on the map for in-person learning starting on Monday. [2020-2021 Building Map 12.22.20.pdf](#)

### **Student Pick-up Plan starting February 1.**

**Please arrive at school to pick up your child (students not taking a bus) at the time listed below.**

- **Kindergarten, Grade 1 and Students with siblings in grades K-1** will all be dismissed at 2:35 p.m.
- **Students** will be ready for pick up around 2:38 p.m.
- **Parents** should arrive at Deephaven at **2:35 p.m.**
  
- **Grades 2 & 3 and Students with siblings in grades 2-3** will be dismissed at 2:35 p.m.
- **Students** will be ready for pick up around 2:40 p.m.
- **Parents** should arrive at Deephaven at **2:38 p.m.**
  
- **Grades 4 & 5** will be dismissed at 2:40 p.m.
- **Students** will be ready for pick up around 2:42 p.m.
- **Parents** should arrive at Deephaven at **2:40 p.m.**

***Arriving at the school means you are getting in the car line at the time listed above. We still anticipate a line, but hope to move it along quickly.***

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## **DID YOU KNOW?**

**RETAKE DAY** – Thank you to everyone that made it in for retakes....during the school day and the time we had set up after school.

If you would like to order a photo package, you must use code **FM343951**. Please do not use any other codes you may have on hand. Please visit <https://www.strawbridge.net/> to place your order. Click on "Order Pictures and Yearbooks" (you will not order yearbooks from this company...Jostens will be printing our yearbooks later in the year). Enter the code above and follow the prompts.

Please email [stephanie.pearson@minnetonkaschools.org](mailto:stephanie.pearson@minnetonkaschools.org) with any questions!

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## **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.

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## **OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION (Weeks of January 18 and January 25)**

Classroom discussions this week and next will be focusing on reporting problems to adults in our school. Students will discuss different real life situations with their classes and small groups. As a class, they will be brainstorming which situations would need to be reported to an adult, and how they can go about reporting them. Everyone's goal is to become more proactive in reporting problems to their teacher or an adult in the building.

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## **PTA PULSE**

**Thank you** to everyone who helped make **Dress Up/PJ Day for Dream Makers** a success! Together, we were able to raise \$1000, all of which will go toward funding teacher grants throughout our district. Way to go Deephaven Elementary!

**It's here.... READ-A-THON 2021!** A fun (and cozy) item to add to your winter to-do list is our annual **Read-A-Thon**, which gets students to ramp up their reading through the entire month of February. See below for details on how to sign up and get your friends and family engaged now!

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

### **Upcoming Dates:**

February 1 -28 Read-A-Thon!

## **READ-A-THON IS HERE! FEBRUARY 1-28**

### **"Reading is the Ultimate Adventure"**

Deephaven's annual Read-A-Thon event and fundraiser begins on February 1, and runs through the entire month of February! The Read-a-Thon reinforces good reading habits in students while raising funds for school-wide enrichment programs.

### **How it works:**

1. **SIGN UP NOW** -- Students can sign up now in Pledgestar, on the new Deephaven Read-a-Thon website, at <https://www.deephavenreadathon.com/register/>

**Note:** Students **must be registered online** to participate in the Read-a-Thon

2. **ENGAGE FAMILY & FRIENDS** -- Students send out requests and receive pledges from family and friends through Pledgestar. Sponsors may pledge any amount for each minute read or a flat amount for the entire event.
  
3. **EARN PRIZES** -- By reading and logging their minutes into Pledgestar, students will be eligible for prizes. For example, each student who reads five or more books will receive a free "Bundtlet" from Nothing Bundt Cakes!

**Minutes can be recorded and entered through Sunday, February 28.**

**Questions?** Visit the [Read-A-Thon website](#) for detailed information on registration, key dates/milestones, prize levels and an up-to-date list of prize winners.