



**WINDS**  
**OCTOBER 26, 2022**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Oct. 26	Student Leadership meeting
Oct. 26	PTA Connections Committee Meeting
Nov. 1	<b>2-hour late start</b>
Nov. 6	Daylight Saving Time ends – SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR!
Nov. 7-11	School Psychology Awareness Week
Nov. 10	Veteran's Day Assembly 9 a.m.
Nov. 11	<b>No School</b> – Grading/Planning Day
Nov. 17	Lighthouse Publishing Ceremony 9:15 a.m.
Nov. 18	Picture Retake Day
Nov. 24/25	<b>No School – Thanksgiving Break</b>
Nov. 30	Wacky Wednesday: PJ Day

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

**Halloween** – Your child's teacher will provide more details on how and when Halloween will be celebrated.

**Important Halloween Costume Message** - Deephaven allows children to wear costumes during school, but wearing of masks, painted faces, disguises or grooming that limits or prevents identification of an individual is strictly prohibited. Also, weapons of ANY kind are NOT allowed in school, including look-alike weapons. We want Halloween to be enjoyable and safe for everyone!

**Winter Gear** – With the colder weather upon us, it is time to make sure your child is coming to school with their winter gear. Students are outside for 30 minutes a day unless the temperature or wind chill is minus 10 degrees Fahrenheit.

**Read Each Night** with your child or have your older child read alone. It is important that children engage in reading outside of school for 20-30 minutes each night. This is a fun and memorable activity to do with younger children and it will help develop a habit of reading each day. Once your child is an independent reader, he/she may choose to read alone. Don't worry if you miss a night, as we all know that life can get busy. But do try and make this activity a priority in your home. It is proven to help improve your child's ability to read and comprehend.

**Homework** should be a positive experience for your elementary age child. If you are struggling with your child each night over homework, please contact your child's teacher to make a plan. We will work with you so it will become a more positive experience for your child and you. If you believe your child should have more homework, please contact your child's teacher to make the request.

**Morning Drop-off** goes best when you are well prepared. Tips for making it work well for you and your children.

1. Eat breakfast at home.
2. Have the backpacks ready to go.
3. Give hugs at home.
4. Remain in your car.
5. Drop your child off anywhere along the front sidewalk.

Our goal is to make drop-off a positive experience for everyone involved. By being prepared, you can keep our line moving and help other parents remain on schedule in the morning.

**Wacky Wednesday** – Our next Wacky Wednesday is November 30. The dress up day is Pajama Day.

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### **OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION**

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings, students will discuss possible playground hot spots for bullying behaviors. They will then use a social behavior map to brainstorm expected and unexpected behavior on the playground and how it makes others feel.

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### **PTA PULSE**

Enjoy the Halloween activities this weekend. Thanks to all those who will be helping with school parties! Questions, comments or ideas? Please reach out to PTA President, Polly Madsen, at 617-571-3877 or [madsen.polly@gmail.com](mailto:madsen.polly@gmail.com)

**PTA Connections Committee Meeting - Wed Oct 26.** Join us **tonight** at Maynard's for a Deeplaven Connections Committee meeting. We'll be talking through plans for this school year. Let Sarah Punch [sarah@sarahpunch.com](mailto:sarah@sarahpunch.com) know if you are able to make the meeting. New members welcome!

**Attention All Writers** - our 1st Lighthouse Publishing event for this school year is coming up! Grades 2-5 are invited to write their poems, short stories, comic strips, etc. Template is required for submissions. Please email submissions in the template to: [deeplaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com](mailto:deeplaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com) Thank you and happy writing! Deadline for submissions: Thursday, November 10  
Ceremony date: Thursday, November 17, 9:15 a.m.

**Weekly Art Department Volunteering** - Flexible opportunities available to support the art department. Reid Anderson needs assistance to help with photographing student art, displaying art in the hallways, prepping materials for art lessons and more. Time and date are flexible. Volunteers should [sign up](#) and email Mr. Anderson to coordinate time and date ([Reid.Anderson@minnetonkaschools.org](mailto:Reid.Anderson@minnetonkaschools.org)).

**Veterans Day – Thursday, November 10** We are recruiting veterans and active servicemen and women to participate in the All-School Veterans Day Assembly and to make classroom visits. If you or a family member would like to volunteer, please email Marta Chou at [martachou@hotmail.com](mailto:martachou@hotmail.com).