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## **The Winds - October 20, 2021**

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

October 20	Wear Orange for Unity Day (All School)
October 21-22	NO SCHOOL – MEA
October 26	Vision & Hearing screening for 1st, 3rd & 5th grade
October 27	Student Leadership Meeting 2:40-3:45
November 7	SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR!!
November 12	NO SCHOOL – GRADING/PLANNING DAY
November 17	Picture Retake Day
November 24	PJ Day (ALL SCHOOL)
November 25-26	NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK

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

**Thank you!** We had a 98% attendance rate at conferences by parents. We look forward to partnering with you the rest of the school year.

**Principal's Summer Challenge** – Students that participated in the Principal's Summer Challenge were recognized by Mr. McGinley today in their classroom. Participating students received their certificate of accomplishment along with the following prizes.

Participation – Completion of one of the three challenges: Certificate, Book Fair gift card, DQ treat.

Achievement – Completion two of the three challenges: Certificate, Book Fair gift card, DQ treat, Culver's Kid's Meal.

Trifecta – Completion all three challenges: Certificate, Book Fair gift card, DQ treat, Culver's Kid's Meal, Kid's pizza from Detello's.

Congratulations to all of the students that participated in this year's Principal's Summer Challenge!

[2021 Principal's Challenge List.pdf](#)

**Our first Wacky Wednesday** was today! We have included the schedule for the year below.

1. Wed., October 20th - Unity Day- Wear Orange
2. Wed., November 24th - Pajama Day
3. Wed., January 26th - Fancy Day
4. Wed., February 23rd - Favorite Book Character Day
5. Wed., March 23rd - Animal Day
6. Wed., April 27th - Silly Sock & Hair Day
7. Wed., May 25th – Sports Day

**Halloween** – Your child's teacher will provide more details on how they will be celebrating Halloween.

**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!

**2021-22 Parent and Student Handbook** - The 2021-22 Parent and Student Handbook has been updated for the year and is available digitally on [the Deephaven webpage](#). The handbook contains quick links to school information, the District calendar, information about District communication and more. To view the PDF directly, [click here](#).

**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.

**No School** on Thursday and Friday - MEA

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## **DID YOU KNOW?**

**Picture Retake Day** is on Wednesday, November 17. We will provide more information as the time approaches.

**Saturday, October 23 is Make A Difference Day!** Plan to spend some time volunteering around the community.

[Tonka Serves Make A Difference.pdf](#)

**2022 Elementary Musical for 4th & 5th Graders:** This year's Minnetonka Elementary School Musical will be Matilda Jr. There will be a virtual parent meeting on November 22 at 7 p.m. See attached flyer for more information.

[Matilda JR Flyer.pdf](#)

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## **FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE**

**Vision and hearing screening** will take place Tuesday, October 26 for students in Grade 1, 3 & 5. All students will receive vision screening. If your child wears glasses, please remind them to bring them to school on October 26.

For the 2021-22 school year we will only be offering hearing screening based on parent or teacher concern. This is due to constraints created by the COVID-19 pandemic. Below is a link to request hearing screening for your student(s). Please only complete this form if you have a specific concern about your child's hearing. If you do not have concerns, you do not need to fill out the form.

Please use this link: <https://forms.gle/e357U3cQGJe9YEtH7>

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## **OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION**

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings we are reviewing, role playing and discussing what we can do to help in a bullying situation.

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## PTA PULSE

THANK YOU to everyone who was able to attend our Fall PTA Meeting last week. Whether you attended in person or virtually, we were happy to have your active engagement!

If you are interested in volunteering in our school, please check your inbox for our new Deephaven Elementary Volunteer Opportunity (DEVO) e-blast. This communication will come out every Sunday of our school year and is your one-stop-shop for volunteer needs each week at school. Thank you to our PTA Board Member and Volunteer Coordinator Sandy Dostal for leading this effort!

Questions? Please reach out to PTA President, Amanda Sutter, at [sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com](mailto:sutter.amandalynn@gmail.com) or 952-826-9856.

### Upcoming Key Dates

Oct 22                      Clipped Box Tops Deadline

Nov 10                      J. Hilburn Shopping Event & PTA Fundraiser (12pm - 8pm @ Luya Showroom, Downtown Excelsior)

**Box Tops for Education Clipped Labels Deadline 10/22** – Do you have any clipped labels for Box Tops for Education stashed at home? If yes, please drop them off in the Deephaven Elementary lobby bin before the deadline on October 22nd.

Our school has already earned almost \$200 since the start of the school year, so we are well on our way to our \$1000 goal! Keep scanning all your grocery receipts in the Box Tops app!

Questions? Contact Katie Semersky at [ksemersky@gmail.com](mailto:ksemersky@gmail.com).

J. Hilburn Shopping Event & PTA Fundraiser November 10th - Perfectly timed for holiday shopping, we are partnering with personal stylist Jennifer Shinnors of [J. Hilburn](#) Custom-Made Men's Clothing to host a shopping event on Wednesday, November 10th at Luya in Downtown Excelsior. 1 hour private shopping appointments will be available from 12pm - 5pm. At 5pm, the event will convert to an Open House format with an opportunity to shop the J. Hilburn fall and winter line-up and enjoy beverages and refreshments from Olive's pizza.

- To reserve an advance daytime private shopping appointment, please use the sign

up form: <https://link.edgepilot.com/s/8e882580/IRPiQWgQU0qCQJKhju7GWA?u=https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4CAAAA2AA4F85-jhilburn>

- To attend, please RSVP to Polly Madsen at [madsen.polly@gmail.com](mailto:madsen.polly@gmail.com) or 617-571-3877

**Veterans Day Celebration on November 11th** - In lieu of our annual Veterans Day school assembly and individual classroom visits by Veterans, we will be honoring our Veterans by collecting pictures of them and creating a slideshow to be shown to all students on Veterans Day. Please send photos of your loved ones to [martachou@hotmail.com](mailto:martachou@hotmail.com). The photos can be of Veterans in or out of uniform, from their time of service or present day, and with or without Deephaven students in the picture. Please note, if you sent pictures in for last year's slideshow, we will include them again in this year's slideshow. So, new families to Deephaven--or families who simply forgot to submit pictures last year--please send in pictures by November 3rd for inclusion in this year's show!

Questions? Contact Marta Chou at [martachou@hotmail.com](mailto:martachou@hotmail.com).