

January 5, 2015

Dear Grade 4,5 and 6 Parents/Guardians,

Happy New Year! I hope you and your families had a safe and happy holiday!

This letter is to inform you that your son or daughter will soon be participating in a recorder unit in music class! This is an exciting opportunity for students to develop note-reading skills, a sense of musicality, confidence playing in an ensemble, and a sense of responsibility for their own instrument.

Student recorders will be sold for \$8.00 each, which includes the cleaning rod and plastic case. They are being ordered from Long & McQuade in Waterloo. Simply fill out the form below and return it to Ms. Vanier by <u>Monday</u>, January 19, so we may begin this exciting program as soon as possible.

Please be aware that although there may be a recorder priced less at a toy store or dollar store, most of these are not tuned the same as recorders we are ordering from the music store. The toy recorder sounds will not blend easily with those used in class and thus make it difficult to assess a student's playing.

Should purchasing a recorder not be an option for you, your child will still be able to participate in the program using a borrowed recorder in class that will stay at school. The school recorders will be cleaned between classes using a disinfectant designed for wind instruments to ensure they are clean for each new user.

If you have previously purchased a recorder from the school, then your student is ready to go! I will send an update home once recorders have been ordered, letting you know when your child can start bringing his or her recorder to school.

I look forward to continuing to explore the performing arts with your child! Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Ms. Vanier

Please detach portion below with cash payment, or indicating you would like to borrow/already have a recorder.

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I would like to purchase ____ recorder(s) from the school for my child. Total \$: _____

I would like to borrow a recorder from the school for my child.

My son/daughter already has a recorder and will be using it for Music class.

Parent/Guardian Signature:

