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2018-2019 Concert Dates

4-5

Thursday,
December 6
5:30 PM

K-1

Thursday,
February. 21
5:00 PM

2-3

Thursday,
March 7
5:00 PM

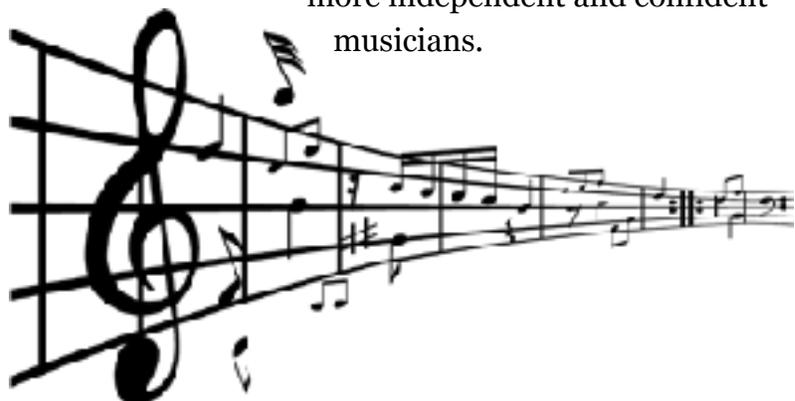
Active in Music



Welcome back to school! This year you should notice even more **movement** incorporated into our music classes. We will be playing games, singing and chanting, and adding instruments to learn and reinforce music concepts.

For the younger students our focus will be on **rhythm**: beat, fast/slow and **pitch**: high/low, loud/soft and **timbre**: woods, metals, shakers, drums.

Our older students will continue their work on the above adding more complex experiences to develop grade level skills Singing in rounds, responding to rhythm with varied movements, and adding layers with instruments, and guided composition will help students to become more independent and confident musicians.



Why Join?



1. **RESPECT** – After being given a drum and allowed to freely express themselves, children learn to trust and follow the person who is capable of orchestrating their collective noise. They are equipped to identify and embrace authority.
2. **SELF CONTROL** – Even though they have freedom, the children learn that it is equally important to know when to stop, as it is to know when to play. They realize that they have the ability to impact their environment positively or negatively.
3. **LISTENING** – Once they are able to control their actions, children can begin to hear the differences and similarities of sounds. They become aware of their place within the larger group and it gives them a sense of belonging.
4. **SHARING** – Now that they can hear what is happening around them, children enjoy creating with

others and trying new ideas. They find a way to connect.

5. **COOPERATION** – When they are satisfied with their place in the sound, children start to communicate and encourage the input of others. They feel empowered because their contribution is valued.
6. **CONFIDENCE**- Since they can recognize the common rhythm within the group, children are more comfortable formulating new ideas to offer. They trust themselves more.
7. **EXPRESSION** – Because they feel self-assured, children will not restrict their response to the pulsing beat. They develop an impulse to bring out their hidden talents.
8. **CREATIVITY** – Knowing they are free to explore the rhythm, children show their ability to be spontaneous with the experience. They are able to react and adapt to different situations.

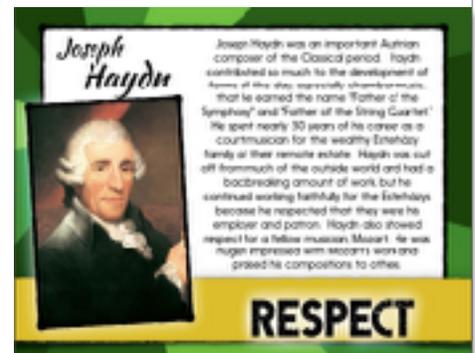


Musicians with a Moral Focus



Check out our bulletin board, “**Musicians with a Moral Focus.**”

Throughout the year we will be focusing on classical and contemporary musicians who have demonstrated examples of moral conviction.



Beat 4 Peace will meet weekly from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. on Thursdays, from October 4 to May 2.

Beat 4 Peace is open to any Hamilton/SOTA I student who is in grade 3, 4, or 5. Registration information can be found on the [Beat 4 Peace](#) website. Paper forms can be found on the door of the music room, (Rm. 214).

Beat 4 Peace Registration

Please consider registering online by clicking on the above link.