SIMS MUSIC

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Dear Music Parents:

SIMS Music is excited to be offering music classes in timetable. Students involved in beginner band (grade 6), senior band (grade 7/8), and choir will meet from 8:15am until 9:15am once a week. Jazz band will meet 3:30-5:00 on Wednesday.

Monday Morning Wednesday Morning Thursday Morning Wednesday After School Senior Band Beginner Band Choir Jazz Band

There will be a music information night on <u>Thursday Sept 13 from 7:00-9:00</u>. Students and parents who are new to the program are expected to attend. There will be a demonstration provided on each of the instruments that are used in band. This will help inform your child on which instrument is best for them. Over the weekend please fill out your choice of instrument from first to third. I will endeavor to give all students first choice however, that is sometimes not possible.

Students are expected to practice 2 hours a week. Practice sheets will be regularly available and require parent(s) signature. Please email me your contact information so that I can add you to our email list. Rehearsals will start on Monday September 17th. Please see the calendar for performances and events happening this year.

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Camp Pringle Winter Concert - Artspring Band Fest (UVIC) Greater Victoria Performing Arts Choir Festival Spring Concert

November 16-18 December 3 TBD (Late February) TBD (Mid April) June 5

Our music program is going to Camp Pringle from November 16-18. Students will be working with David Flello, and Erica Phare-Bergh. There will be a music a three-day music tour during the month of May 2019. You will receive more information before November.

The music program will be participating in Schmeck Fest, a choral festival here on Salt Spring Island. We will also be participating in a Band Festival here on Salt Spring with Bandemonium Music Society, and GISS.

We are creating a music parents meeting once a month at SIMS. We will need parent chaperones for all our festivals and trips. Please consider volunteering your time to help provide our students with support for this exciting year. Please email me your contact information so that I can put you on our email list.

Please feel free to email me if you have comments, questions, or concerns. You can reach me at <u>kollerenshaw@sd64.org</u>

Sincerely,

Keith Ollerenshaw

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