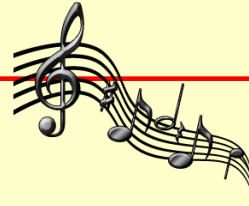


MUSIC NEWS!



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Notes from First Grade Music

What We're Learning

This month we are continuing our first unit on quarter notes and eighth note pairs. We have been "decoding" rhythms by listening to songs or rhymes and telling Mrs. Herdina the rhythm using the terms "step" and "tip toe." This month, we will learn that "steps" are quarter notes and "tip toes" are eighth note pairs. We begin learning to read and perform those rhythms this month!

After we learn to read our new rhythms, we will begin to draw quarter notes and eighth note pairs, and then we will create and write our own songs!

Some of the songs we are learning to sing are: "Yankee Doodle" and "Closet Key." We are learning to perform the rhymes "Miss White" and "See a Pin." The 1st grade page on the Saddle Peak Music Website has lyrics for all of our songs and rhymes in case we want to perform them at home. ☺

VISIT OUR CLASSROOM WEBSITE:
www.saddlepeakmusic.weebly.com in order to sign up for email notifications each time our newsletters are posted.

Concert Times!

Our Winter Concert will be a mixture of five songs and a movement to Classical music. The concert is holiday-themed. The concert will be held in the Saddle Peak Gym.

Monday, December 5th 7:15 PM: All First Graders

What We Can Do at Home

- Ask your child to teach you a song or rhyme from music class. See if they can "decode" it!
- Check out a Mother Goose-type book from the library and read it together as a family. Practice reading it with a steady beat and/or a sing-song voice. Not only will this help in music... this is a foundation for helping students read fluently. Win, win!
- Keep a steady beat to songs that come on the stereo in the car.
- Sing, sing, sing!

