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Notes from Third Grade Music

What We're Learning

We are mid-way through our first unit on songs with notes mi, re, do, and sol. We are becoming experts at "decoding" these tones – Mrs. Herdina can play or sing a short pattern and we sing it back using the tone names. In October, we will begin reading these notes, writing these notes, and finally composing songs using mi, re, do, and sol.

We have learned to sing the songs "Let Us Chase the Squirrel," and "All Around the Buttercup." We've learned the traditional games which go along with these songs.

New songs we are learning to sing include "Bought Me a Cat," and "Roll Over." Both songs are American folk songs which have been recorded in numerous styles.

In November, we will begin rehearsing the music for our Winter Musical: "Bring on the Snow!" It should be very fun to put together!



Concert Times!

The Third Grade Winter Concert will be a musical play called, "Bring on the Snow!" featuring a series of silly skits and songs related to blizzards. Speaking parts will be available to all students who indicate in class that they would like them. We will begin rehearsing in November. All concerts will take place in the Saddle Peak Gym! Keep watching for more information!

Monday, December 12th: 6:00 PM: All Third Grade Classes 7:15 PM: All Fourth Grade Classes

What We Can Do at Home

- Ask your child to teach you a song from music class. See if they can "decode" it!
- Review the words for the "Star-Spangled Banner" as a family. The words are: "Oh say, can you see, by the dawn's early light, What so proudly we hailed At the twilight's last gleaming? Whose broad stripes and bright stars, Through the perilous fight, O'er the ramparts we watched, Were so gallantly streaming? And the rockets' red glare, The bombs bursting in air Gave proof through the night That our flag was still there. Oh say does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave, O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave?"

