Sandy Hook School Music Information

September 14, 2010

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to a great year with your children full of music. Our curriculum is based on the National Standards in Music. The entire curriculum may be found on the district's website. Some general areas of study across the grade levels are:

- 1. Respond to rhythm, tempo, dynamics and form through movement
- 2. Use instruments to accompany songs and music
- 3. Develop pitch matching skills
- 4. Demonstrate a steady beat
- 5. Sing songs alone and in a group from diverse styles and cultures
- 6. Listen to music from diverse time periods, cultures and styles
- 7. Perform music from written notation
- 8. Describe music with age appropriate musical terms
- 9. Identify form in music
- 10. Evaluate classroom and concert performances
- 11. Recognize instruments from the orchestra
- 12. Create and improvise melodic and rhythmic responses to music

The best way to contact us is through the school's email.

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Please feel free to contact us with any questions or information you may like to share.

We are looking for donations of hand sanitizer for our music classrooms so children may sanitize their hands before playing instruments. If you would like to help us just send it in marked for Mrs. Kristopik.

If you have a fourth grader our concerts this year are December 16th and May 10th.

Thank you,

Maryrose Kristopik Gale Barna

Music Specialists