

Snohomish School District



TOTEM FALLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Totem Falls Families,

Welcome back to school!

Here are some of the things the students are currently working on in music:

- Kindergarten: Singing as a class, Moving at different Tempos with a Steady Beat & Clapping Basic Rhythms
- 1st and 2nd Grade: Solo and group singing, Tempo & Steady Beat, Solfege: So, Mi & La, Reading Basic Rhythms
- 3rd and 4th Grade: Two part singing, and harmony, ABA Form, Solfege: Do-Do, and more complex Rhythms
- 4/5, 4/5 and 5th Grade: Preparing for our traditional Veteran's Day Concert
- 6th Grade: Learning about orchestral instruments; including aural recognition of various instrument sounds

IMPORTANT THINGS TO DO FOR MUSIC CLASS:

- **4th-6th Grade: Recorders:** Please bring in your recorders!
 - If you do not have a recorder, please ask Mrs. Smallwood-Meade for an order form.
- **3rd Grade Recorders:** Order forms will be coming home in the next couple of weeks.
- **456, 4th/5th and 5th Graders: Veteran Photos:**
 - Please email/ bring photos of Veterans who have served/are serving in the armed forces.
 - Please include: 1. Veteran's Name; 2. Student name/relationship to Veteran; 3. Military branch; 4. Service Dates

IMPORTANT MUSIC DATES TO REMEMBER:

BAND PARENT MEETING: September 22nd: 5:30pm – 5:50pm: 6th Grade Band Parent Meeting in Music Portable (P-9)

Please join us to learn about having your child sign up to play in band! (Curriculum night is from 6-7pm.)

- **CONCERTS: Thursday nights and will start at 6:30pm. Gym doors will open at 6:15pm, prior to concerts.**
- **November 10th: 6:30pm: 456, 4/5 and 5th Grade Veterans Day Concert**
- **December 8th: 6:30pm: 3rd and 4th Grade Holiday Concert**
- **March 16th: 6:30pm: 6th Grade and Band Concert**
- **May 11th: 6:30pm: 1st and 2nd Grade Concert**
- **June 1st: 6:30pm: Kindergarten Concert**

Concert Dates are subject to change due to weather. Students should meet in their classrooms 15 minutes prior to concerts.

If you are willing to help out with concerts, please send me an email with the name and grade of your child (or children), along with your name and contact information. Thank you in advance for your support of our music program! I look forward to getting to know all of you better as the year progresses. If you have questions, or concerns, please feel free to contact me by phone: 360-563-4750, or email: Kristin.smallwood@sno.wednet.edu.

Looking forward to another great year of music!

Sincerely,

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