

MUSIC EDUCATION PROGRAM OVERVIEW

GRADE 3

Music classes are in 30 minute sessions three times a cycle. Your child will learn music through song, dance or movement, games, and playing pitched and non-pitched instruments. The soprano recorder will be introduced in October. The following musical concepts and skills will be developed: listening, playing, and writing a variety of rhythms; 4/4, 3/4 and 2/4 time; using and identifying slow, medium and fast tempi; reading and writing notes of the musical staff; singing in tune; identifying and using the notes *do re mi fa sol la ti do* in a variety of ways; creating melodies using “Question and Answer”; composing; musical forms (melody, introduction, AA, AB, ABA, rondo, and canons, ostinato, harmony); body percussion; instrumental accompaniment using pulse or rhythms, borduns (5^{ths}): chord, broken, level and arpeggiated; loud and soft dynamics (*pianissimo - pp, fortissimo - ff*); different sound qualities of percussion instruments; and ensemble playing.

A school performance is planned further information to come.

Mme Fournier teaches the general music classes and recorder.