

The Beat Goes ON....

St. John Paul II Collegiate Band Newsletter October 2017



'Home Instruments'

Does your child play baritone, baritone saxophone or tuba? If so, they should have already brought their instrument home! Please ensure your child has an instrument at home to practice. Baritone, bari sax and tuba players should only bring bringing their mouthpieces and supplies (oil, reeds, grease etc.) to school on a daily basis. Please help us make more room in the band room!



Jazz 7

Jazz 7 auditions have been completed - the list was posted a couple weeks ago, and our first rehearsal is on **Wednesday, October 5 at 7:30 AM**. Please reference the band handbook (link at the end of this newsletter!) for jazz band information, concert dates, and expectations.

Cookie Dough 59'r Fundraiser

A HUGE thank you to all the students who came out on Sept. 19 to participate in our cookie dough fundraiser! We made \$5100 in 59 minutes, with more revenue coming in over that weekend. Amazing!!! Thank you to all our supportive students, families and friends for promoting our band program!

We expect our cookie dough shipment to arrive by October 19 - orders must be picked up when the dough arrives as we do not have freezer space to store your orders! Parent volunteers will be needed to help pass out 1000+ tubs of cookie dough to students for pick up...please stay tuned for a sign-up link if you are interested in helping out!

Thank you to **Mrs. Garagan** for the incredible amount of effort and time she puts into helping with our band program!

Don't forget our **magazine fundraiser** is still running until just before Thanksgiving. After this, we are done fundraising for the rest of the year.

Instrument Supplies

Please help your child ensure that they have the correct supplies to make their instrument function properly! Brass players require their own bottle of valve oil and slide grease. Woodwind players require reeds (at least 4 at all times, broken ones don't count!) along with cork grease and a cleaning swab. Percussionists are responsible for their own mallet bag. *If taken care of and not lost, oils and greases should last a LONG time!*

Supplies can be purchased from me before/after school or at lunch time. Supplies **are not** sold during class time.

ARE YOU SIGNED UP FOR REMIND 101??

Parents and students are strongly encouraged to sign up for this free service - more information is available in the band handbook, and on Google Classroom!

Google Classroom Codes & Smart Music

It is imperative that your child is signed up for both Google Classroom and Smart Music. Codes are below should you require them (they are case sensitive. Google Classroom will **only work** with your child's Isidore Redeemer account):

Concert Band 7A: ns0qek Concert Band 7B: qpulemj Concert Band 7C: d6fnjqv
Concert Band 7D: q62sj6

Concert Band 8C: is243x Concert Band 8D: 6kir7z Concert Band 9C: 3gh2p3r
Concert Band 9D: 2pqn70h

Jazz 7: rqbm09 Jazz 8: gx499c Jazz 9: dwhlgk

Smart Music codes were emailed to parents some time ago, and are posted on Google Classroom with sign up instructions. **Did you know....parents can sign up for Google Classroom as well!**



Band Concert Attire

With our first concerts around the corner (*October 25 for Concert 9, November 29 for Jazz 8/9 and Dec. 5 for everyone...!*) it is time to start looking in your closet for performance attire. St. JPII band performance attire includes white top (preferably long sleeve, collared for boys), black bottoms (skirts must be appropriate for instrument played, and must have tights or leggings underneath), black socks and black shoes. *Please stay away from high heeled shoes for concerts for safety reasons.*

Upcoming Band Dates

Wed. October 11

- Percussion Wednesday practice (all grade 7 percussion)
 - 3:06-3:45 PM

Wed. October 25

- Percussion Wednesday practice (all grade 7 & 8 percussion)
 - 3:06-3:45 PM
- Concert Band 9 Performance @ HTA *Chinook Concert Band Festival*

Wed. November 15

- Jazz 7 and Jazz 8 to Mount Royal University for jazz day!

Wed. November 29

- Jazz 8 and Jazz 9 to perform at HTA's Chinook jazz concert.

Tuesday, December 5

- St. JPII Christmas Concert & Bake Sale, 7 PM

Please reference your band handbook for dates past this point!

ST. JPII BAND HANDBOOK

For course information, expectations, jazz information, concert dates, class codes and more....



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