September 12, 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome to an amazing new year in MacGregor Elementary’s Instrumental Music Program! Our music program is an integral part of the school curriculum. Our wonderful music staff includes: Mrs. Blue- Piano, Mr. Carmouche- Guitar, Mr. Cruz - Band, and Mr. McBride- Strings/Cello. This year we are happy to introduce our new Primary Music teacher, Mrs. Edwards. We are also excited to share the news of our new Musicology course, in which scholars will be introduced to Orff instruments, Voice and Musical Theatre.

The MacGregor Music program lays a solid foundation of musical skills and techniques, while providing a variety of opportunities for students to make music with others in an engaging and unforgettable classroom experience. This will be accomplished through weekly lessons, rehearsals, school concerts, and community activities. Additionally, students will receive small group instruction twice weekly for 45 minutes. We also provide after school rehearsals for advanced students in each instrument. **PRACTICE IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS IN MUSIC!** Below you will find the program expectations for this school year.

**Music Program Expectations:**
- Students must practice daily to increase proficiency.
- Second grade students will record their practice time in the daily practice logs each week.
- Parents, please sign practice logs and return them to school each day.
- Review monthly calendars of upcoming events, practices and programs
- Please read important supplemental information from your child’s music teacher each week.
- The music fee donation is $30.00 for students in grades K-2. This fee helps to offset the cost of the rights to play productions, snacks for events, music, maintenance, and other related expenses. All fees can be paid on School Pay or by money order.
- **Please login to [www.schoolpay.com](http://www.schoolpay.com) in order to pay the music donation fee. Money Orders may be made out to MacGregor Elementary School and should be given to Mrs. Hernandez.**
- Each 2nd grader must have at least 1 gold MacGregor polo shirt for performances. (Shirts may be purchased for $13.00 on [www.schoolpay.com](http://www.schoolpay.com) and picked up from the main office.)

We look forward to working with your children this year. Thank you for making MacGregor Elementary your choice school for the 2019-2020 school year. We look forward to an amazing year of growth with your scholar!

Sincerely,

Marcie Colemon
Assistant Principal/ Magnet Coordinator