

RECORDERS

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All intermediate students (3rd, 4th & 5th) will play **soprano recorder** throughout the year. I HIGHLY recommend that students purchase their OWN recorders. These they will bring to music class each week and also take home to practice. —You might even want to consider buying two recorders (just \$7 on the Lamping website) so one can be kept at school and one at home (in case you are forgetful!) The main thing is for students to practice at home outside of class. You should have received a form for recorders in your welcome packet on the first day of school. Those students who already own a recorder can of course use it. If you are unable to purchase a recorder, please see Mrs. Schoessow.

Soon I will be introducing “**Recorder Karate**”—a fun way that students can earn “belts” by playing songs on their recorders. I can’t wait to hear the wonderful sounds and witness the music reading skill that comes with proficiency on the recorder. It’s also a great preparation for band in middle school.

4th and 5th graders will need their recorders right away to play in class. 3rd graders will start learning the recorder in November.

