

CUMBERLAND NORTH ACADEMY

MUSIC COMMUNICATION PLAN

2017-2018

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LEARNING OUTCOMES

Instruction focuses on learning about five elements of music. The first five outcomes of the music curriculum require students to show understanding of these elements. Each year they are studied in more detail.

- Rhythm
- Melody
- Texture and Harmony
- Form
- The Elements of Musical Expression

The sixth outcome is embedded in all of the music studied by each class throughout the year:

- Students will sing, play, and listen to music from different times and places, showing respect for all cultures.

ACHIEVING THE OUTCOMES

The work students do in music class to achieve each outcome follows four stages of learning.

- Preliminary Play - Students experience making music which emphasizes the element being studied.
- Label - Music literacy skills are built by learning to name the element being studied.
- Explore - The element is practiced through singing, listening, moving, playing instruments, and reading.
- Create and Improvise - The students make up their own music to demonstrate understanding of the new element.

The fact that making music alone and with others communicates feelings, ideas, and understandings is the unifying theme throughout.

RECORDERS

This year, students in Grades 4, 5, and 6 will play recorder as part of their music program. Grades 4 and 5 play the smaller recorder, or soprano recorder. Students in Grade 6 play the a larger recorder called the alto. Our recorder work will not begin until January. Many students already have a recorder they can bring from home. Information about borrowing a recorder from the school or buying a recorder will be sent home later in the fall.

C.N.A. SCHOOL CHOIR — Cumberland County Singers

Beginning September 20, 2017 For Students in Grades 3-6

Our school choir performs at school and community events and presents a musical play in May.

If your child would like to join choir, please send an e-mail to Mrs. Tucker at TuckerN@ccrsb.ca and I will add them to the choir list.

You will receive choir memos by e-mail. Choir memos will also be posted on our choir website and on the Home and School Facebook Group. You will receive a link to the choir website when your first e-mail is sent to Mrs. Tucker.

Our rehearsal schedule:

2:30-3:15 - Rehearsal

3:15-3:30 - We take a break. Choir members may bring a small snack to have at this time.

3:30-4:00 - Rehearsal

There will be no choir on Wednesday, Oct. 11 and Wednesday, Nov. 8 as these are staff meeting days.