

P-5 Music Department Neil Armstrong Elementary School

Dear Neil Armstrong Families:

As a department, we have compiled some suggestions and online resources to support music learning at home while our school is temporarily closed. ***We suggest choosing two resources/activities to explore each week!***

Here are some general ideas for creating musical moments at home.

- Encourage your child(ren) to sing, dance, listen to and make music each day.
- Stretch your voices with some “Whooooo” sirens – high and low!
- Ask your child to share a song from music class.
- Sing a round or song with your family.
- Create percussion instruments from household items and make rhythms together.
- Turn on your favorite music and have a family dance around the house!

We hope these ideas will help our students continue to develop musical skills and understanding and bring the joy of music to your homes!

Online Resources for All

- General Music students, please visit Dr. Foley’s webpage for videos, vocabulary links, melody and rhythm phrases to practice and more! Materials are organized by grade level.
 - <https://www.gateschili.org/Page/804>
- Several music educators around the country have come together and created a Facebook page to sing to their students. It has a variety of songs for all ages. Search “The Singing Space” on Facebook.
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2254602501509166/>
- Chrome Music Lab is a great way to experiment with the science of music and creating your own songs!
 - <https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/>

PK-1 General Music

- Enjoy watching the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra perform *Peter and the Wolf*!
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MfM7Y9Pcdzw>
- Ask mom or grandma if you can borrow a scarf. Move your scarf and body to the *Can, Can* music!
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Diu2N8TGKA>
- Have fun keeping the steady beat and singing to *BINGO*
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QZC5x0_EXYM
- Practice listening for same or different!
 - <http://creatingmusic.com/BlockGames/ComparingGame/>
- Sing along with any of these musical books
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C6ljGXMMB-g&list=PL8TOSyIOM0v_yTrj2PPJfFIQYU2N9eMIG
- Watch Mr. Rogers meet a Brass Quartet!
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yig1Y56e5Ro>

2nd & 3rd Grade General Music

- Enjoy watching a fun (slightly abridged) version of Camille Saint-Saens' Carnival of the Animals with some humorous additions by Bugs Bunny and Daffy Duck.
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vUsZ-M09SMw>
- Enjoy watching the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra perform Peter and the Wolf!
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MfM7Y9Pcdzw>
- Instrument match game!
 - http://www.sphinxkids.org/mm_instruments.html
- Practice listening for same or different!
 - <http://creatingmusic.com/BlockGames/ComparingGame/>
- Practice recognizing rhythms.
 - http://www.musictechteacher.com/music_quizzes/aq_rhythm_sound_match/story.html
- **3rd grade:** Practice the letter names of the lines and spaces on the treble clef!
 - <http://musicteachersgames.com/trebleClefOne#>

4th & 5th Grade General Music

- *Flat* – Access your Flat account using Schoology to explore compositions and look for new assignments to work on. We can have fun sharing “notes” with each other!
- Login to ClassLink through our website to access music-related learning with **BrainPOP!**
 - <https://www.brainpop.com/artsandmusic/>
- Practice the letter names of the lines and spaces on the treble clef!
 - <http://musicteachersgames.com/trebleClefOne#>
- Practice recognizing rhythms.
 - http://www.musictechteacher.com/music_quizzes/aq_rhythm_sound_match/story.html
 - http://www.musictechteacher.com/music_quizzes/qw_quiz_rhythms_sound_test/qw_quiz_rhythms_sound_test.htm
- Can you figure out the pattern in this folk dance from Romania?
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=93cISuPKbgg>

Instrumental Music

Mr. Holman will be contacting you via email with more information to support practicing at home. Here are a few additional links from which to choose.

- Notation Practice - http://www.musictechteacher.com/music_quizzes/music_quizzes.htm
- Explore! - <https://www.mydso.com/dso-kids>
- Have fun! - http://www.flashmusicgames.com/band/LoopyLoopsKitchen_agame_com.html

All 4th & 5th Grade Singers!

Warm up your voice and sing every day! ☺ Check Dr. Foley’s website in the next week for some YouTube videos of songs we will be learning for our concert in May.

We hope everyone stays healthy and look forward to seeing all of our students back in school soon!

Sincerely,

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