

Dear Walt Disney Parents and Guardians,

## Instrumental Music Update

As a department, it is imperative to us that we continue our instrumental music education throughout these school closures. Many of the resources students will need to use are already at home with them in their lesson folders such as:

- Lesson Book
- Band Repertoire
- Scale Sheet

All Beginning Band students should continue to work on Defender of Time and Dragon Dance, while 2nd year players should be working on Rattlesnake, The Torch Burns Bright and our new piece To A New Beginning. We ask that students continue forward in their lesson books past the last number worked on in the book, striving to learn new music and practice sight reading on their own. Many beginners are working towards memorizing 3 scales to attempt to partake in the Flag Day Band this year and this is a perfect time to work on those scales.

In addition to these resources, many 5th graders will be receiving scanned copies of solo festival literature from Mr. Vane via email to begin working on. We are still asking to continue our recommended practice regiment of 5 days per week for 20 minutes each day as we are looking forward to our Spring Concert in May this year.

Please remember that many of these pieces have free recordings to play along with at [jwpepper.com](http://jwpepper.com) and [stantons.com](http://stantons.com) which are great resources for young students to practice to at home.

I will continue to be in touch with band parents over the duration of school closure so please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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