

September 6, 2016

Dear Parents,

This year, I will be teaching Music in your child's class. Each of the intermediate classes will have Music for a forty minute period per week.

Monday 1:50 p.m.	Mrs. Franceschinis
Tuesday 1:50 p.m.	Mr. Giannone
Wednesday 1:50 p.m.	Ms. Gretes
Thursday 1:50 p.m.	Mr. Hammersley / Mrs. Dias

Music is a class based on participation. Mastering the concepts and skills connected with the arts curriculum requires work, practice, study, and the development of cooperative skills. It also requires hands-on exploration and a commitment to safety practices.

The music curriculum is intended to help students develop an understanding and appreciation of music, as well as the ability to create and perform it, so that they will be able to find in music a lifelong source of enjoyment and personal satisfaction. Emphasis should be placed on encouraging students to become active participants in composing music, exploring ideas through music, responding to music, and performing.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE ARTS CURRICULUM GO TO

<https://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/elementary/arts18b09curr.pdf>

If students are absent, they cannot "catch up" on the work missed. There is no time in the weekly schedule for lessons to be re-taught or for them to have the experience of making music, working with their peers or preparing for performances. Performances cannot be re-scheduled as the students only have Music once a week.

Please make every effort to ensure that your child is at school on the day of their Music class by avoiding booking appointments and scheduling other things at this time.

Each week lesson descriptions, assignment information and due dates are posted on our school website.

http://mtb.schools.smcdsb.on.ca/parents_students/teacher_websites/mrs_coo/intermediate_music

Students are responsible for completing all missed work adhering to established due dates.

Students are responsible for providing evidence of their achievement of the overall expectations within the time frame specified by the teacher. If students are not at school regularly the code "I" may be used to indicate that insufficient evidence is available to determine a percentage mark. (Growing Success – Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting in Ontario Schools, 2010)

Mrs. L. Coo

I understand the importance of regular attendance during Music classes and that achievement cannot be evaluated unless the student is in class.

Student Name (print) _____ Signature _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Homeroom Teacher Name _____