



Dear 3rd Grade Families,

In a few short weeks, your third grader will begin learning the recorder during music class. The recorder is a woodwind instrument that is commonly used to teach a variety of musical skills, including introducing musical phrasing, reading and understanding notes on the staff, utilizing air and breath control, and articulation. Recorders are also a valuable tool for strengthening hand-eye coordination, fine motor skills, and multitasking.

Our recorder unit is set to begin on **November 28th, 2022.** Students must obtain a **soprano recorder with baroque fingering** before this date to participate in music class. You can order a recorder directly through our school by filling out the form below, and by paying by cash or My School Bucks.

Each recorder is \$5.50. This is a great price for a good quality instrument with the added bonus of being able to choose your own color!

Once our recorder unit has started, the recorders will remain in school until the students have learned a few basic notes, understand recorder expectations, and about instrument cleaning/care. This means the students will not bring the recorders home for a few weeks until they have demonstrated proficiency in recorder basics. When they do bring them home, I am sure you will be delighted by how much they have learned! Students will continue playing their recorders once they come back in 4th grade.

[Please fill out this order form and pay by cash or My School Bucks.](#) For directions on how to pay with My School Bucks, go [here](#) and to pay go [here](#).

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me.

Sincerely,
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