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Dates to Note & Calendar Reminders

September 11th

Lessons Begin!! Welcome Back!

October 23rd - 27th

There are no regular lessons this week. You have recital rehearsal at the church sometime that week during your regular lesson time-but it may be on a different day. Stay tuned for more fall recital and rehearsal information!

Saturday, October 28th

Fall Recital (You will be able to choose between 11am, 1pm, 3pm or 5pm recital times.) Sign up either at the studio or by calling or e-mailing Ashley!

November 3rd

Our first mystery event. More details to come...

November 20th - 24th

There are no lessons this week.

December 18th - 22nd

Make-up Week - No regular lessons this week. These days will be set aside for make-up lessons for those students who have missed a lesson so far this school year. Please contact Ashley to schedule a make-up lessons sometime mid-November. (NOTE: lessons that are cancelled last minute, or when a student simply does not show up for their lesson will not be made up.)

December 25th - January 5th

No lessons - Christmas Break!

Mystery of Music Incentive

Our incentive for this year is **Mastering the Mystery of Music!** We'll use basic musical concepts and practicing strategies to MASTER those concepts level-by-level in order to obtain clues along the way, advance in rank from a Sleuth to Sherlock Holmes, earn prizes and figure out what event the clues are leading us to! Parents, mark your calendars for Friday, November 3rd. This is when our first event will be held. More details to come, but in the meantime, dust off your magnifying glass and get working on MASTERING your skills! (Our main focus for the year is really knowing our stuff! Lots of students can sort of muddle through a song, or skip-count to guess at note names. We're working on a confident product each and every time!)

Tuition Reminder

All tuition is due at your child's first lesson of each month. Attached to this newsletter is a tuition statement showing you your current balance due. Fall is the only time that you'll receive this statement. In the future, we ask that you place your tuition in the tuition box in the studio at your child's first lesson of each month. Failure to pay your tuition on time on a regular basis will result in a late fee. If you are interested in receiving a bill via PayPal each month, please let Ashley know! ALSO – if you have an additional invoice attached to your newsletter for books or accessories, please make every effort to help us clear out old invoices! Thank you!

Goodyear Piano Service Discount

Present this coupon for \$10.00 off your next piano tuning or 10% off of any piano accessory from Goodyear Piano Service. Contact Dale at 751-0767 or www.goodyearpianoservice.com for more information or to schedule your tuning! This coupon is valid for Bemidji Music Studio students only.

We're On Facebook!!!

We do have a closed Facebook site. This site is private, and can only be viewed by individuals who are added by an administrator. Only parents of current students and current students themselves are on there! If you are not currently a member, but would like to be added, please let Ashley know! We'll post pictures, reminders and updates on that site throughout the year.

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In order to avoid congestion in the driveway, we ask that all vehicles coming to and going from lessons enter in the SOUTH driveway approach, and exit in the NORTH driveway approach. (The one with the mailbox!) There are three different "parking spots" within the front yard as well as the possibility to park on the driveway, as long as you park so that there is room for another vehicle to get around you. We ask that you NOT park in front of the garage doors, as there are many afternoons and evenings when we still need to get our vehicles in and out of there! We appreciate your patience and cooperation with the comings and goings of the studio and our home!

Also, for any new students who are coming for the first time – you can enter through the door on the side of the garage, and that will lead you into the studio waiting room.