

# MUSIC NEWS

from Mrs.  
Fleming



## Pre-K

This year, Mrs. Parker will be teaching All-Day, 5-day and 3-day Pre-k classes and Mrs. Fleming will be teaching the 2-day class. Pre-k 2-day will be diving into the Music for Little Mozarts curriculum with our friends Mozart Mouse and Beethoven Bear, while we learn about music concepts like high/low, fast/slow and loud/quiet.

## Kindergarten

Kindergarten music starts off with a farm unit and we focus on one farm animal each class. Ask them what animal we learned and to sing you one of the songs. One of our favorite movement songs so far has been the "Funky Chicken Boogie"

## First Grade

First grade begins the year off with reviewing many of the concepts covered in Kindergarten like steady beat, high/low (introducing So and Mi from the Solfege ladder), same/different patterns (musical form). They are also introduced to proper mallet technique for playing barred instruments like the xylophones and glockenspiels to accompany the many songs and games we play during class.

## Second Grade

Second grade is jumping right in with all of the instrument techniques that they learned from 1st grade and building on those. We have already been accompanying songs with up to 3 different instrument parts while playing games and singing along. Students are reviewing the concepts of So, Mi and La as well as quarter/eighth notes and quarter rests.



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## Third Grade

Third grade has music with Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Parker each once a week. In music we are focusing on both rhythmic and melodic development that includes creating and improvising both vocally and instrumentally. Boomwhackers are one of our favorite instruments to play together!

## Fourth Grade

We begin the year with a deep dive into musical cultures around the world with both Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Parker each once a week. We explore instruments, styles, musicians and dances that are unique to each region.

## Upcoming Events

- Sept. 12th/13th: 7th/8th Grade Womens Chorus Auditions
- Oct. 22: Fall Fundraiser (Bid on front row seats for the upcoming programs!)
- Nov. 10th: 5th/6th Grade Musical 7pm
- Dec. 15th: 2nd/4th Grade Musical 7pm
- Dec. 19th: Pk Gingerbread Christmas Program 2:15pm
- Dec. 20th: PK 2-Day Christmas Program 8:45am
- December 20th: Kindergarten Christmast Program 11:15am

## Notes from Mrs. Fleming

A big SPSL welcome to our wonderful student teacher from UNO, Miss Dakota Valle who will be teaching alongside Mrs. Fleming until October. We are so blessed to have her here!

We are also very blessed to have an abundance of costumes, but also need the help of any organizational gurus to help us inventory and organize the storage. Please reach out to [sara.fleming@spsl.net](mailto:sara.fleming@spsl.net), if you would like to volunteer to help.

