## STITO:S BAND

## NEWSLETTER

October Edition

## What's been going on?

October is always a busy month with sports taking off, Thanksgiving right around the corner, and Pro-D days. Please encourage students to stay on top of practicing, especially for our beginners. The more time they invest in playing now the easier the rest of the school year will be for them.

## Grade 6's:

Thank you for a speedy start to the year! Everyone has their instruments and is getting their books. We will be starting our weekly testing after the Thanksgiving weekend. Each student needs to pick a song from the Essential elements book and will play it solo, or in a small group in class every week. This is very important as this is how I track their progress for their grade.



I am excited to see where our grade 7 & 8 bands will go this year! Last year they all showed a great sense of growth and I look forward to helping them push it even further.



Grade 6 Band books will be payable via QuickPay on the school website.

Band performances are a mandatory part of the course. If a student must be absent they must be excused by a parents or guardian. Failure to communicate will result in a Emerging grade for the term.

The band room is always open before the bell, at lunch, and after school should students need 1-1 help or wish to practice with friends.

Students are allowed to store their instrument in the Band room storage room.



Nov 7<sup>th</sup> - <u>Band 8 only, in school</u> performance for Remembrance day Assembly

Dec 10th - Band concert #1

- Gr 6's @ 6:00 6:30 PM
- Gr 7 & 8's @ 7:00 8:00 PM

Mar 4<sup>th</sup> - Band concert #2

- Gr 6's @ 6:00 6:30 PM
- Gr 7 & 8's @ 7:00 8:00 PM

June 10th - Band concert #3

- Gr 6's @ 6:00 6:30 PM
- Gr 7 & 8's @ 7:00 8:00 PM

