

# RECORDER INFORMATION

September 2015

Dear Parents,

Now that we have settled into the school year, I'd like to take this opportunity to provide you with information concerning your child's musical studies. As always, we will be singing, performing, and making music together. However, we also have a very exciting addition to music this year: the recorder!

In a few weeks, your child will receive a standard beginner's recorder, should they choose to purchase one from Ridge School. If your family has a recorder at home that you would like them to use, that is also acceptable. Lastly, you may also purchase a recorder from a standard musician's store such as Music and Arts or Guitar Center.

The recorder is also likely your child's first foray into learning to read music properly. Please ensure that you hear your children practicing at least once a week. When they begin their traditional instruments in fifth grade, the base of knowledge they've gained by playing recorder will be invaluable. Children and their families who take recorder seriously always find great success when "real" instruments are introduced in fifth grade.

Please send in the form with your child's payment by Friday, September 26th. The payment should go directly to your child's classroom teacher. **Please return the form even if you are not purchasing a recorder from Ridge.** If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (201) 670-2740, ext 54625.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pecorelli  
General Music Teacher

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I am enclosing \$10.00 to purchase a recorder.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will be using a recorder from home, or will be purchasing a recorder from a musician's store.