

Tues. Jan. 30 2007 WINTER Concert Information:

Dear Parent:

Please take a moment to read this information. I'm very pleased to announce that this concert will be assisted by the music director of Toby's Dinner Theatre – Doug Lawler. There may also be some pre-concert music for your families to enjoy prior to the beginning of the evening concert. . Also consider assisting the students backstage – don't worry, you will not miss the performances, in fact, there will be reserved seating for all adult helpers. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. McDaniel at cmcdaniel@hcpss.org or 410-707-5181 voice mail. For more information see our new website: www.gesmusic.org

Does my child need to wear a special outfit at concert time? Your child will be expected to wear dark bottoms, socks and shoes and a white top at the BOTH performances.

Review of Expectations. I will follow the schedule and attend all lessons, rehearsals, school and evening concerts on time. Missed lessons and rehearsals will result in a lower grade. I will exhibit proper technique to the best of my ability (body posture, instrument position, hand position, embouchure, fingerings). I will follow the school-wide behavior expectations in R.O.A.R. (Respect, Ownership, Attitude, Responsibility). It is expected that your child will follow the directions of the adult helpers in the hallways before, during and after the performances.

Parent Helpers Needed. Would you be willing to assist at the concert? Help set up before the concert and clean up after the concert? Please return the slip below.

Change of schedule. The band and orchestra students will have extra practices the week before the concert on the stage. Please copy the schedule below into your student's agenda book.

1. FRIDAY, JAN. 26 9:30 all band students; 2:30 all orchestra students
2. MONDAY, JAN. 29 9:30 all orchestra students; 2:30 all band students
3. Tuesday, Jan. 30 – Final practice 9:30AM and pictures will be taken at this last practice. The school concert starts at 2:30-report to Mrs. McDaniel's hallway area at 2:15 and line up in stage seating order. The evening concert starts at 7PM.

Instrument tuning. All of the orchestra students must leave their instruments in the band room after school on Jan. 30 in order for them to be tuned. Please assist your child in remembering to take their instrument home after the concert for safe keeping.

Meeting time at the concert. All students must arrive at 6:45pm and begin to line-up in the stage seating order. The Band students will report to Mrs. McDaniel's room and use the tuner to check their instruments as they were taught in the band lessons. The Orchestra students will report to Mrs. Cousins' room. Please have your jacket held by your parent/guardian. You will only need your music and your instrument in the warm-up rooms. Do not leave anything in your classroom that you'll need for the concert. They will be locked at night.

Concert Order: The concert will begin with the 3rd grade orchestra students followed by the 4th and 5th grade orchestra. Then the 4th grade band will be followed by the 5th grade band.

Parent helper slip -- please cut off and return to Mrs. McDaniel

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Your name _____ Child's name _____

Contact number/e-mail _____

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