

## WELCOME BACK

Welcome to all of our new and returning families. We are looking forward to another great year of keyboard music learning and performances.

## 2019 – 2020 CALENDAR

You will find our calendar of events for this year enclosed with News Notes. Post it in a convenient location to keep track of our scheduled activities.



## FLASH CARDS !!!

Our teachers will be doing some review work during September to get everyone into high gear. One of the main emphases this month will be note reading. We do some special work with our note flash cards. Good note reading skills are the foundation of good sight reading.

Our special projects and contests motivate students to work on this basic skill and help them get ready to play lots of wonderful new music.

## KEYBOARDS and COOKIES CONCERTS

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Cole's Students**

**1:30 pm & 3:30 pm**

**Matt's Students**

**2:30 pm & 4:30 pm**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Tina's Students**

**5:00 pm, 6:00 pm, & 7:00 pm**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Nancy's Students**

## 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, & 4:00 pm BILLING INFORMATION

In our lesson program, current ten month students pay \$12.00 per month more than our twelve month students. This ensures the student's placement in our fall schedules. Families with more than one student enrolled in lessons pay \$4.00 per student, per month, less than the single student rate.

Students who have been with us longer often pay a lower rate than those who have started lessons more recently, filling ever fewer time slots. It is our policy to make a raise in August, each year, for those who have been with us more than 2 years, and are not at their teacher's current rate for new students. Rate increases will also reflect changes in 12 month or 10 month and family or individual student status. We have had to make larger than usual increases in lesson rates this year, especially for families who have been with us for more than 5 years, due to substantial increases in our overhead costs over the last few years.

If you have any questions, please call Tina at West Music, 351-2000 ext 1394, or Nancy at 345-3085.

## THE POWERFUL ROLE OF PARENTS

### *How can I help my child be successful in Piano Lessons?*

1. Provide a good, in-tune home instrument.
2. Attend lessons regularly, with all needed materials and with a well-rested child.
3. Establish a consistent and daily practice time.
4. Be positive!
5. Provide constant encouragement.
6. Stay involved!
7. Show you value their music by being a part of their daily practice,
8. Encourage performance opportunities.
9. Be an active "Fan"!