

### Grade 3 Music (March 2016)

Music is enjoyed and appreciated through songs, games, and creative movement. Concepts we have been working on include keeping a steady beat, loud and quiet (dynamics), fast and slow (tempo). Students have also been working on reviewing and reinforcing rhythms that use Tah (quarter note), ti-ti (eighth note pairs), quarter rests, and tica tica (4 sixteenth notes). We are currently preparing to learn Tica ti and ti tica. Students have also sung in harmony using rounds.

Since the last report card all students have participated in preparing and performing in our Christmas concert. Some of our favourite songs this term are: *Donkey's love Carrots (round)*, *Tideo*, *Log Driver's Waltz*, *Austrian Went Yodeling*, *E Papa (stick game)*, *Hat Hat*, and *Stella Ella Olla*. We have also learned about composer Johann Strauss and his song '*Persian March*' through storytelling, singing and dance. Students have learned how a violins are made this term too.

It is my hope that through an active and varied approach to music the students will develop a deeper awareness and appreciation which will enhance their school experience and enrich their lives!

If you have any questions or would like to speak with me, please feel free to stop by at Parent Teacher.

Sincerely,

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