

## Music Bradley International School Newsletter Spring 2020

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Hello amazing Bradley parents! I am looking forward to spring semester! The progress and accomplishment your students are making in music brings me great joy and fulfillment. I'm beyond honored to be a staff member of a Blue Ribbon School. Below are some of the opportunities your students will be working during the spring semester.

**Kindergarten**, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades: Students are being introduced to modern instruments. The goal is for them to have enough proficiency so that by the time they get to 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades, they can start focusing on self expression through music composition.

**3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades:** My big push is music reading, writing and performing. Students are singing and playing the piano every day in class. We are also working on the notes that are on and in between the lines of the treble clef. Students use acronyms and sentences to remember the notes. I have the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students develop their own sentences in order to help them remember.

## How to Support at Home:

- Continue introducing them to music of all genres.
- Ask them to analyze beats, rhythms and lyrics as they listen to them.
- Encourage them to practice and internalize musical ideas using their voices and body movements (dance).

