



December 2010

Dear 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Parents and Guardians:

As part of the music program at Oak Street School, all 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students will be learning how to play the recorder in their weekly general music classes. The recorder is a small woodwind instrument that dates all the way back to the Middle Ages. Study of the recorder reinforces skills we are learning in class such as rhythms, note reading, and performing songs as an ensemble. For many students, this may be their first experience playing a musical instrument!

Our study of the recorder will begin in February. All students have the option of purchasing their own recorder through the school for \$4.00. If you already own a recorder, please be sure that it is a standard Soprano Baroque Recorder (other types are sometimes tuned differently). **If you need to purchase a recorder, please detach and return the form below by Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.**

As always, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I hope you have a safe and happy holiday season!

Sincerely,

Ms. Debbie Lingel  
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908-204-2565 ext. 306

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**Please return to Ms. Lingel by Friday, December 17, 2010:**

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Student's Name

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Classroom Teacher

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to purchase a recorder for my child. Enclosed is \$4.00 (either cash or check) to cover the cost of purchasing and shipping. Checks should be made out to *Oak Street Student Activities*.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date