5th Grade Band Calendar - April 2020

Mon., March 30

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:

Play several long notes. Make it a "Personal Best" time contest. Time yourself using a stopwatch or watch a second hand on a clock to see how long you can hold one note.

Tues., March 31

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:

Warm-up on the Bflat concert scale. Play it slowly, and listen to the tone of each note.

Find 3 easy songs in the book that you have already played, and review them.

Go to the fingering chart at the back of the book. Find a new note to try.

Wed., April 1

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:

Warm-up on the Bflat concert scale using patterns that have eighth notes.

In your book, turn to page 13 ex, 45.
Remind yourself what eighth notes look like, and how we count them. Play your scale using the rhythm in measure 1 on every note up and down the scale.

Thurs., April 2

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:

Warm-up on the Bflat concert scale and playing rhythms that have eighth notes.

Create your own rhythm that has eighth notes. Use this pattern on each note of your scale.

Review Ex. #45,#47, #50, #52

Fri., April 3

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's Focus:

Warm-up on the Bflat concert scale. Use good tonguing and mallet position.

Review your favorite song in the book.

Practice #51 on one note to work on the rhythm. Then play it with the notes. Play it for someone if you want!

Mon., April 6

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:playing a song in 2/4 time.

Warm-up-Play the Bflat scale using two quarter notes on each pitch. Go up and down.

Look at ex.#42. Name the notes.The time signature tells us there are 2 beats in each measure. Try and play the song.

Tues., April 7

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:

Playing in 2/4 time signature. Warm up on the B-flat scale using a quarter note and pair of with notes on each note. Count "1, 2 and" in your head as you play.

Practice #42 again.
Try to play it without hesitation.
Do you remember:
Solo,soli, tutti?

Wed., April 8

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:

Warm-up on the Bflat concert scale. Play it rapidly but make sure you can hear every note.

Look at #59. The tie signature is 2/4. Count and clap the rhythm of the song. Try learning the notes, and then playing it.

Thurs., April 9

Practice your instrument for 15 minutes.

Today's focus:

Warm-up on long notes. Try and hold every note with an even tone. Bell players can "roll" with your mallets.

Review #42.
Continue working on #59. Why did the composer name this "Laughing Song"?

Fri., April 10

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Warm-up on your scale.
Maybe today you can give a mini concert for someone. You can play the songs you

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