



# Recorders for Sale!

We are excited to announce that 4th grade general music students will be learning to play recorder in general music class and will perform in a recorder concert later this year. We have some school-owned recorders that students may use, but many students prefer to purchase a recorder to keep.

Here are a few of the things we work on in our recorder unit:

- \*Improving our music reading skills. This is especially important for our 4<sup>th</sup> graders in preparing to play in band or orchestra next year!
- \*Building fine motor control and dexterity
- \*Developing a growth mindset (i.e., “I will work to improve my playing.”)
- \*Building motivation and self-confidence in playing an instrument.

How you can help your child:

- \*Encourage your child to practice at home (squeaks and all—I promise they’ll get better!)
- \*Encourage your child perform his/her songs for the family, friends, etc.
- \*Check out youtube videos for more help and to learn harder songs.
- \*Learn to play alongside your child (who doesn’t love Hot Cross Buns?!)

**If your child doesn’t already own a recorder, he/she can purchase from the front office for \$5. Please send either cash or check made out to Haley PTO. We will start playing recorders beginning on Tuesday 11/12,** so please have your child bring in money ASAP if he/she would like to purchase one. Please contact us with any questions, and thanks for sharing your wonderful children with us!

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