

# Quarter Notes

## Welcome!

The piano teachers of Westside Christian School's Piano Program, Mrs. **Kris Lund** and Mrs. **Karen Hunter**, warmly welcome our new piano families and bid our returning families a sincere welcome back! It is our privilege to teach piano to the wonderful students at Westside Christian School. Piano lessons will be taught on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays this year. We're delighted that we'll be teaching lessons on new Yamaha pianos. Our theme for the 2019-2020 piano year is "**Feelin' the Music.**" Students will pay extra attention to the artistry with which they play their pieces—trying to convey through their music the feelings the composers intended when they wrote their pieces. Emojis will figure prominently this year and it's bound to be an "emotional" spring recital. Looking forward to a fun-filled year of music...*with moods!*



## How did Mrs. Lund and Mrs. Hunter spend their summer "vacation"?

In addition to teaching private lessons at our home studios and playing for worship services here at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, we spent much of our summer break planning the fall and spring recitals, we attended workshops for piano teachers hosted by Heid Music, we shopped for new teaching pianos for our WCS piano program, we created piano contests for the upcoming year, we made and laminated music games/activities, and we searched for music that fits our "**Feelin' the Music**" theme.



## Christmas recital

Our first piano recital of the 2019-2020 school year will take place on **Friday, December 6, at 6:00 PM** in the atrium at Westside Christian School. We'll gather 'round a lighted Christmas tree to enjoy sacred and secular songs of the season played by students in our WCS Piano Program. Christmas cookies and warm cider will top the evening off right. Mark your calendars now—*and don't forget to invite your family and friends to join us, too.*

## Piano payments

This is the first year that piano payments are being made through TADS. Monthly withdrawals from piano family accounts will ensure that piano teachers are promptly paid. The cost of music purchased for your child will also be withdrawn from TADS.

## Dates to note:

- Piano lessons begin—**August 30\***, **September 4-5**
- No piano lessons—**September 27**
- No piano lessons—**October 23-25**
- **Christmas** recital—**Friday, December 6, 6 pm** in the atrium
- Fine Arts Fair at Lakeside Lutheran High School—**Saturday, March 28, 2020**
- Spring Recitals—**Saturday, April 4, 2020**, at Oakwood Village Auditorium (West)

\*Due to Mrs. Hunter's absence on Friday, August 30, her Friday students will have their first lesson on Thursday, August 29.

## Absence policy

One week will be reserved at the end of the second semester for make-up lessons. Please note: *Teachers may opt to make up lessons in groups rather than as private lessons.* Students may make up **one** missed (excused) absence per year. Missed lesson reasons include: illness, family emergency, or snow day. "Forgot my books" **does not** qualify for a lesson make-up nor does absence due to a family vacation. *To be eligible for a make-up lesson, families must notify the piano teacher in advance of the absence (sick days included).* Please call the piano teacher at home or call the school and ask the secretary to notify the piano teacher if the student is **sick on a lesson day. No credit will be given if more than one lesson per year is missed.**

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Where words  
leave off,  
music begins.

—Heinrich Heine