

HARMONY PROJECT



OUR MISSION IS:

TO PROMOTE the healthy growth and development of children through the study, practice and performance of music.

TO BUILD healthier communities by investing in the positive development of children through music.

TO DEVELOP children as musical ambassadors of peace, hope and understanding among people of diverse cultures, backgrounds and beliefs.

THE PROGRAM

Harmony Project is an award-winning research-based program that promotes positive youth development through year-round music lessons and ensemble participation.

INSTRUMENTS	Students receive a musical instrument to take home and use as their own.
LESSONS	Students are enrolled in classes appropriate to their progress. Those who demonstrate superior progress or require special attention are offered private lessons.
ENSEMBLES	All students are enrolled in an ensemble. All levels of ability are able to participate.
PERFORMANCES	Orchestras and small ensembles hold concerts throughout the year.



HARMONY PROJECT TRANSFORMS LIVES

Information about the Sooke Harmony Project

The **Sooke Harmony Project** will start on February 18th, 2016. It comprises two elements:

- For *Beginning Strings*, we will take 21 students who are enrolled in Grades 2 and 3 in the community of Sooke.
- For *Drumline*, we will take 24 students in Grades 6-8 in the community of Sooke.

There will be 3 classes per week that students must attend at Journey Middle School. (3:30 – 5:30 p.m. on Monday & Thursday and Saturday morning) Drumline will be 2 classes per week. Classes will include a snack and other fun component. To benefit fully, families need to make an initial commitment of 2 years.

The program is available **FREE** of charge and is eligible to students who otherwise will not be able to participate in this musical learning experience.

Other students will be **accepted** according to availability on a 50% scholarship. There may be opening for up to one-third of the places. For those students on half scholarship, the cost will be \$350 for term 1, which ends in June.

We are currently recruiting students to participate in this wonderful program. An information meeting for all interested families will take place on February 3rd – 7:00 p.m. at Journey Middle School. If your family would like to begin these music lessons please call or email the principal of your school and we will pass along childrens' names.

For additional information and to register, please contact your child's principal.

- Laurie Szadkowski at lszadkowski@sd62.bc.ca or call Journey Middle School: 250-642-5881
- Tess Vally at tvally@sd62.bc.ca or call John Muir Elementary: 250-642-5427
- Kerri Arnot at karnot@sd62.bc.ca or call Sooke Elementary: 250-642-5431
- Ruchi McArthur at rmcarthur@sd62.bc.ca or call Saseenos Elementary: 250-642-5261

For more information about the **Sooke Harmony Project**, please contact Lorna Bjorklund at lbjorklund@sd62.bc.ca or leave a message at Journey Middle School: 250-642-5881

Special Concert!

New Harmonies

THE MUSIC OF

BACH • HAYDN • MOZART • BARTOK • ELGAR

Featuring a gala ensemble of performers

The Strings of the Sooke Philharmonic Orchestra

Nancy Washeim, soprano soloist

Sooke Harbour String Quartet

West Coast Chamber Players

& local top student instrumentalists



A Fundraising Concert to Support

HARMONY PROJECT SOOKE

*Investing in Children
& Communities
Through Music*

Saturday Jan 30, 7:30 pm

Journey Middle School Gymnasium

By Donation

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