

Mrs V's KEY ISSUES

Piano Notes for May

"PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT"

Practicing 100 minutes per week, one or more weeks, in April were: **KATHY MOORE, CODY JOY, CADEN JOY, GUS GROSS, MYLO GROSS, Crockett Patton, NAVYA MODI, SHERRALYN ST CLAIR, ALEC LEITH, QUINN LEITH, Paul Kliebert, MALIA BLAIR, DAMION BLAIR, ELLIE SOMMERS, ETHAN SOMMERS, HELEN NICHOLSON, THOMAS NICHOLSON, MATT PENDLETON, MEI LIM, ROBYN SELKING, Courtney Le, Doug Bryant, Jaelin Jun, LEON TONG, ANDRE TABUCO, MELANIE VANDERSCHAAF, BRAYDEN CHAO, Aidan Sion, Cassie Sion, VIVIAN TRAN, Aaron Yeh, and Alyssa Miller.** Students who practiced at least 100 minutes per week, each week the ENTIRE month (for which they will receive PIANO DOLLARS) are listed in capital letters. Congratulations!!!

GUILD AUDITIONS

Guild auditions went great! All students brought their A game! Guild certificates and report cards will be distributed at the recital. Don't forget, students, in piano guild, C's are FANTASTIC, unlike school, and 14 Cs or higher is a SUPERIOR rating. This judge did not give many C checks if students' pieces were in the yellow Music Tree Time to Begin book, but she loved hearing all the beginners perform and gave them perfect scores (zero A checks)!

UPCOMING LESSONS

No lessons June 7-June 23 (I will be judging guild auditions in LaJolla, CA) and no lessons July 7-July 23 (I will be in Miami, FL judging piano guild auditions). So this summer I plan on teaching whenever I'm not judging. Fall lessons will then begin in SEPTEMBER on the first Tuesday after Labor Day. **Be sure to fill out the form below as soon as possible** so that I can plan my summer and fall teaching schedules. Thanks! Don't forget – those who take summer lessons have first pick of lesson times in the Fall.

RECITAL

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, the recital will be held in my home. The recital will be held on the afternoons of Saturday May 18 and Sunday May 19. Please check in front of your student's assignment notebook for your student's particular day and time. Family and friends are welcome! The recitals are smaller, so there should be plenty of room for the audience. Please wait until the front door opens to enter for your particular recital. Stay on the driveway out of sight from the front window and keep talking to a minimum. **DRESS NICELY**, bring music and keys **AND** I do ask each family to bring a batch of cookies (home-made, preferably!) When you enter for your particular recital, please drop the cookies off in the kitchen. I thank you in advance for your help with refreshments!

SUMMER LESSONS ARE FUN !!!

I strongly encourage students to take summer lessons. I know families go on vacations, kids go to camps, students want a break from piano practice...I understand! But the beauty of taking summer lessons is that only the lessons attended are billed. **AND** taking summer lessons guarantees first pick at Fall lesson times. **PLUS**, it's summer piano fun, learning 50 pieces in 8 weeks!!! Try it! :O)



Please fill out and return with the May tuition

Name _____

I will be taking Summer lessons

Yes No

I will be returning for lessons in the Fall

Yes No

If possible, I would like to change my Fall lesson time to:

_____ 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd Choice no change