

Angelo's Band Notes

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Band Updates!

Hello Band Parents!

We have LOTS of new stuff going on in band!

First I wanted to update you on my **WEBSITE** that I created during Conferences!

The website is

<http://angeloband.weebly.com>

. On this website, you will find band calendars, lots of resources for your students to use at home, note reviews, band karate information and more! This is not a complete website yet and I will continue to update it, so please keep checking back! I will also be posting any schedule changes to the website. The students are familiar with it now, so I do hope that they are able to find a way to make it helpful at home!

T-Shirts- Our Band shirts are in! Your student should be bringing them home by the end of this week! These are the shirts that we will use for our concerts, but your student is ALWAYS welcome to wear it whenever they like. They see me wear mine frequently! 😊



When does band meet??

Regency Place- **B,D,BDE Days**

Bentwood, Countryside- **A,C,ACE Days**

****Please see the calendar provided at the beginning of band!**

If you need another copy, let me know!

What do I need for band?

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Please make sure your student has the following for band class:

*Instrument

*Pencil

*Sound Innovations Book 1

*Instrument Supplies (see band packet)

*Portable Music Stand (These will stay at HOME except for during our concerts!)

All of these items can be found at a local music store. Please see the "Welcome To Band" Packet your student brought home. I have listed all supplies needed and a list of local music stores.

Band is for a grade???

Please remember that starting in 2nd Quarter, your student will be receiving a grade for band for the remainder of the year. They will be graded on the following:

Classroom participation and following expectations, coming to class with all their materials and participating in our performances.

Band Karate

The students have been so excited to start Band Karate! This is a program that gives the students the opportunity to earn karate belts (colored zip ties) by passing off various numbers in the book. Each belt has 2 book numbers that the students will need to pass off in order to earn that belt. About every 2 weeks, we will have a pass off day in class and will pass off a number that I select. I will work in order of the band karate belts! Students will play for me in class to work towards passing off their various belts. I told the students that if they would like to work faster, they can! That's where my Google Voice number comes in! Students can call the Google Voice number and play for the phone. I will then get a recording of what they played and will be able to let them know if they passed! Several students have started calling in already! I have also told the students that they are NOT being graded on how far

they get in Band Karate. They are graded on effort and progress over the year. Please see the Band Karate Handout (on my website) for more information!

What have we been doing in class?

- Breathing exercises to build endurance
- Note naming exercises
- Rhythm exercises
- Whole note, half note, quarter note (and rests!)
- The first 5 notes of the book!
- We have made it to the end of page 8 in the Sound Innovations book so far!
- Band Karate White and Yellow Belts!

Percussion students

Now that we have learned the first 5 notes, I told the percussion students what we will be starting snare drum! Students should expect to start learning snare drum within the next two weeks. Eventually, students will be bringing BOTH instruments to class as it is extremely important that they continue to improve on both instruments.



As always, thank you for reading through the information! Please contact me with any questions!

Musically,

Kimberlyn Angelo

“Without music, life would B-flat!”