

Lorna Bjorklund Music Studio

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Welcome to all students. This handout describes my policies for the 2013-2014 year. Lessons begin September 15 and end the week of June 15 unless an exam is being taken. No lessons from December 23 –January 6 or during the March break.

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is essential for the student's success. There will be 36 lessons for the year. Christmas vacation will consist of 2 weeks and the March break of one week. If a lesson falls on a holiday or a ProD day, it will be made up as soon as possible. If the student or the teacher have to miss a lesson, it will be made up. Extra time will be given for those taking exams or participating in activities which require extra work. Lessons begin the week of September 25 and end the week of June 23.

TUITION

The term is based on 6 terms of 6 lessons. Fees payable in advance of lessons may be paid in six installments of \$120. If you are taking a 45 minute lesson the fee will be \$30 and the term fee \$180. Cheques are payable to Lorna Bjorklund. Fees will be due during the following weeks—September 15, October 27, December 8, February 2, March 30, and May 18. Christmas and March break are not included in the fees.

ADDITIONAL FEES

Throughout the year I will buy music for your child and you will be charged accordingly. It is cheaper for me to buy the music as I get a deduction for being a music teacher.

A metronome is required but need not be purchased at the very beginning of lessons. I will let you know when this is necessary.

Arrange to have your piano tuned.

ASSURING YOUR CHILD'S SUCCESS IN PIANO LESSONS

Arrange a set time EVERY DAY for your child to practise and be determined to keep it.

Provide a setting free from distractions (sibling, TV etc)

Check on your child's progress during the week.

Make sure that your child brings ALL of the correct music and materials to the lessons in a music case or tote bag.

Check the music notebook regularly for communication from the teacher and help your child follow the directions.

Arrive on time.

Keep your child's nails clipped short.

There will be two recitals this year –one in December and the other in June. I would also like to initiate some ensemble playing and informal gatherings for students.

Extra help will be given if needed.