September 4, 2019

Dear Music Parents and Students,

I would like to welcome everyone to the 2019-2020 Sands Music Season! I am Ms. Tseng and I will be the music director for this year. I am looking forward to getting to know you and making music with all of the students.

Clear Communication with students and parents is vital. The Sands Music Website, is our primary communication tool. Only when absolutely necessary will notices be sent home with students, and anything sent home on paper will also be posted on the website. The Sands Music Website is at <u>www.musicsands.weebly.com</u>.

## Performance Dates

Parents and students are reminded that concerts are an important part of a student's learning and marks. Parents, please put the dates on the family calendar. A lists of confirmed concert dates are included with this letter and on the Sands Music Website at <u>www.musicsands.weebly.com</u>. The website will be updated whenever a new performance or event date is confirmed.

November 6	Delta Night of Music	7:00 p.m.	South Delta Secondary
November 20 (tentative)	Premiere Concert	7:00 p.m.	Sands Cafeteria
February 12	Delta Night of Music	7:00 p.m.	Seaquam Performing Arts Centre
March 4-6	Music Tour	ТВА	Penticton
March 12 (tentative)	Spring Concert	7:00 p.m.	Sands Cafeteria
May 4	Delta Night of Music	7:00 p.m.	Delta Secondary School
June 12 (tentative)	Year End Concert	7:00 p.m.	Sands Cafeteria

## Fundraising

This year students will have opportunities to raise money for their band trip by choosing to participate in the following events: Magazine, Sales, Cookie Dough, Poinsettias, and Purdy's Chocolates. Anyone interested in helping to coordinate any of the fundraising events, please contact me.

## **Instrument Storage**

Students should be taking instruments home to practices as often as possible. When necessary, students are welcome to store their instruments in the music room in the designated cupboard. Please make sure the instrument case is clearly labeled with your name. Because many instrument cases look the same, we encourage students to identify their instruments in some kind of unique way. We do everything we can to keep instruments secure, by stressing with students the importance of respecting others property, locking cupboards, and locking the music room door when a teacher is not present. However, because all students have access to the cupboards, we remind students and parents the school cannot be held responsible and/or deemed liable for damage to or loss of an instrument.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at Sands Secondary at 604-594-3474 or <u>jtseng@deltasd.bc.ca</u>. I am looking forward to having a musical year at Sands and seeing you at our first performance.

Ms. J. Tseng Music Teacher