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Dear Families,

Your child has an opportunity to join the Grade 6 Beginner Band next year. This is an excellent opportunity for students to learn a new instrument and participate in group music making. In Grade 6, this is not a course that is evaluated for school report cards (although students are required to practice and participate as in any other course). It is a great way for students to discover if band is a course they are interested in taking in secondary school. There is no charge to join and students are able to borrow instruments on loan from the school for the year at no charge.

Due to COVID, we will wait to make instrument selection choices until the fall as the selection of instruments may change, **however** your child will have the opportunity to hear the instruments they are currently able to choose from. By September students may or may not have a larger selection of instruments to choose from but that is still unknown at this time.

At this time we are only asking if your child is interested in participating in the program during their Grade 6 year. Once you have discussed this opportunity with your child, please let your child's classroom teacher know whether or not they will be participating in the band program. Feel free to email me anytime should you have any questions: ashley.chiasson@hrce.ca

Thank you,

Ashley Chiasson

(Ms. Chiasson to our students!)