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Stage 1 Recorder Program

Dear Stage 1 Parents,

As you are aware, Stage 1 students have recently begun learning the descant recorder in their class music lessons. They have mastered the basics of holding the recorder, producing a clear sound, reading notation and the first 4 notes.

The recorder is a great first wind instrument to learn as it can provide a springboard to instruments such as the flute, clarinet and saxophone. Also, at Blackheath Public School, interested students can join the school Recorder Group from Year 3. This group extends students beyond the class recorder program and participates in the NSW Public Schools 'Festival of Instrumental Music', held at the Sydney Opera House each year.

Recent changes to restricted activities in schools, in line with Covid-19 safe practices, have meant that we can no longer play the recorder in schools for the time being. To allow students to continue practising at home, BPS have purchased good quality descant recorders that are available for sale for \$11.00 each. Students can access the music we have been learning on the YouTube channel: '**Visual Musical Minds**'.

If you would like to purchase a descant recorder for your child to practice on at home, please complete the attached permission note and include either payment of \$11.00 or a receipt number for online payment. Returned notes are to be given to your child's classroom teacher.

Thank you
Jenny Lanyon
Music Teacher

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I would like to purchase a descant recorder for my child _____ of class _____.

Please tick:

I have enclosed payment of \$11.00

I have paid \$11.00 online. My receipt number is: _____

Signed: _____ (parent/carer)