08.09.15

Dear Parents,

In St. Patrick’s class this year, during our weekly music lesson, I intend to teach the children how to play the recorder and to read music. They will be given regular opportunities to play together in front of an audience as they learn, initially in assemblies and as they progress, during school concerts and in the wider community. Looking beyond next year, I intend to run a school recorder ensemble after school club, that will give your child the opportunity to continue to learn to play and perform together, should he/she wish to do so.

In order for the recorders to harmonise, it is important that all the children have the same, good quality recorder. I have therefore negotiated an excellent deal with the ‘One Man Band’ music shop in Banbury, and can offer you the “Aulos” recorder and the music book we will be using for £10.95. If you would like to purchase the accompanying CD with the music book, the whole package would cost £13.50. These will be available to purchase from the school office from Monday 14th September and lessons will begin on Monday 21st September. If the above purchase is likely to cause financial difficulty, please speak in confidence to Cathy or Helen in the office as we may be able to assist.

This is an exciting, new initiative for Holy Trinity that will offer all children in Year Two, the opportunity to learn a valuable life skill. Please encourage your child to practise at home. The book we have chosen to use gives advise to parents too so that you should be able to support your child as they progress. Just like learning to read, five minutes daily is more beneficial than a longer session once per week. Initially it may be painful to listen to but this should soon pass so patience please!!!!

If you have any initial queries, or any questions as lessons progress, do please get in touch with me either by coming in to see me after school or give me a ring via the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Nicola Jenkins

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I would like to purchase a recorder and book with / without the accompanying CD for

my child, …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

I enclose £13.50 / £10.95 in full payment for the above.

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