

## **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

We will be holding Parent-Teacher conferences during the month of January.

These conferences will give you and your teacher the opportunity to discuss how things are going, address concerns and come up with a unified plan for your child's instrumental music study in 2017.

Your teacher will benefit from hearing about your child from your perspective and you can learn more about your teacher's strategies and goals.

Topics for discussion:

- Your child's lessons and progress
- Practice habits and challenges
- Goals – do we share the same ones?
- Areas that you feel you need more help or support
- What you feel is working as well as things that can be changed or improved
- Anything else that you would like to bring up

How it will work:

- To help you organize your thoughts we have put together a questionnaire. Fill it out and bring it with you to the conference.
- The conference will take place during the student's regular lesson time without the student present (and will take the place of one lesson).
- We offer the option of having more experienced students attend part of the conference so that they can express their point of view and ask questions. If you think this may be valuable for your child, they will also be given a questionnaire to complete and will be invited in at some point.

We are trying this for the first time this year and participation is voluntary for both parents and teachers. If you are interested, let your teacher know.

We hope you will try it!