Dear Parents,

I hope your families enjoyed a wonderful summer! I am very excited that students in grades 4-8 will be offered Band during the school day as an alternative to Spanish at St. Peter this year! Sixth graders will have their elective period twice a week on Thursday and Friday, while fourth and fifth graders will meet during the school day on Friday. In addition, Beginning Band will meet as a mixed-grade class after school on Tuesdays from 3:15-4:15, while Intermediate Band (students with 1+ years of experience) will meet after school on Mondays from 3:15-4:15.

There is an additional tuition charge for participating in Band. Starting in September there will be a $50/month charge for the first child in a family who is enrolled, with a $25 charge for each additional child in a family. A registration fee of $25/family is assessed in August to cover that month's instruction and some materials. Checks are made payable to me, Judy Schwenk, and are due the first of the month.

I will be meeting with students during their elective period on August 19th and 20th to help the beginners choose an instrument. Those who were at our Spring Concert last May heard a demonstration of all the Band instruments, and so should have an idea if they want to be in Band and which instrument they prefer. I will be able to help them that day if they still have questions. Once I have a list of those who will be pursuing Band, I will get you parents more detailed information regarding obtaining an instrument and supplies. You will have the next week from August 21-28 to return the Registration form and fee to the school and to make arrangements for instruments and supplies. I will meet with all Beginners after school on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 3:15-4:15 on August 30-Sept. 1 in order to give them a jump-start before beginning regular elective classes on September 2 and 3.

I look forward to meeting and speaking to each of you!

Musically yours,

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