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Upcoming Preview Classes and Spring Registration

It's hard to believe it, but our winter Bells semester is winding down. We have had so much fun with Lukey's Boat, Roby Roly, Obwisana, and our other favorites! Families have had real musical growth as we all became familiar and comfortable with the songs. One of the wonderful things about Music Together is that we

continually add to your family's musical enrichment with new collections of songs and activities. The spring semester features the Triangles collection, and here are the important dates to remember:

- Preregistration for families currently enrolled begins on March 12. You may register on line or with me after class.
- You are invited to attend one of the preview classes. Bring a friend! RSVP to Donna at 815-332-9403
- Spring semester is eight weeks and begins the week of April 13
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Date – call or go online to register	Location	Time
Wednesday, April 1	Midway Village	10am and 11am
Thursday, April 2	Wonderland Books – Edgebrook	10:30 am
Saturday, April 4	Westminster Presbyterian Church	9:15am
Wednesday, April 8	Midway Village	10am and 11am
Thursday, April 9	Midway Village	10am and 11am

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Audiation - Does Teacher Donna forget the words?

You have probably noticed that sometimes when we are doing a chant or song

that Teacher Donna will leave out some of the words. No, she has not forgotten them (probably.) By taking the words away you allow the children to "hear them in their head" and to anticipate what is coming next. It also gives them an opportunity to audiate just the tonal and rhythmic elements of music without the interference of language. Be sure to add instrumental music as well as songs without words to your family's music listening. . . .and if you do forget the words, remember that "la la la la" works just fine. See you in class!

New class times and location!



In addition to our popular Thursday classes at Midway Village we are adding a class at that location on Wednesdays. We will also be offering a Saturday morning class at Westminster Presbyterian Church on Bell School Road. Register early to guarantee your

favorite class time and location. Here is our Spring Triangles Collection class schedule:

Wednesday 10am- Midway Village
Thursday 10 am -Midway Village
Thursday 11am - Midway Village
Thursday 6pm - Midway Village
Saturday 9:15am – Westminster Presbyterian Church

Some changes for the spring

Because the spring semester will be eight weeks long instead of 10 weeks, the registration fees are reduced slightly. A returning family will pay \$120 for the first child and \$80 for a sibling. New families will pay \$125 for the first child and \$80 for a sibling. Remember that your registration fee includes your own professionally recorded CD's and the beautiful music books so you can continue to play and sing with your child at home.

Upcoming Events - Makeup class!

Don't forget that you can come to Westminster Presbyterian for a makeup class on Saturday, March 28 at 9:15. Even if you have managed to get to all 10 classes, come for some extra fun. Bring a friend and if they register for the spring semester you will receive a nice thankyou gift. See you in class!



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