

Make some MORE memories with music over break!

*Here is a great website for DIY (Do It Yourself) instruments using materials you already have around the house: <https://team-cartwright.com/easy-musical-instruments/>

-Create one or more of the instruments and play along with your favorite songs

-Better yet, gather up random objects around your home and create a completely new instrument! **Email me a picture/video of your new creation! (See email below)

*Challenge a member of your family to perform a musical percussion piece with sounds YOU create! Follow these steps:

You will need:

- Sheets of paper
- Color pens/markers/crayons

How to play:

1. Create symbols and tell the sounds they mean. For example, a star symbol means ‘clap’, a circle means ‘stomp your foot’, a triangle means ‘hit the desk’, and a square means ‘snap your fingers’.
2. Compose (create) a piece using the symbols you chose. Put them in different orders to change the tune!
3. Show your “piece” to a family member or friend and watch them try to perform. Let them create one using your symbols and challenge *you* to perform it!

*On a rainy day, watch an old musical with your parents and/or grandparents! Some suggestions:

The Sound of Music

Mary Poppins

Annie

Singin’ in the Rain

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

*Click the links below for fun videos to dance and move with!

~Milkshake: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dNL6RwymoNg>

~Dinosaur Stomp: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Imhi98dHa5w>

~Trolls: Can’t Stop the Feeling: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KhfkYzUwYFk>

~Tony Chestnut: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e1aYOPINZxE>

~Practice rhyming AND exercising!: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cSPmGPIyykU>

~Learn the Macerana!: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MApP7TYPYcc>

~“Bim Bum” hand-clapping challenge song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aXZWgOf2lSA>

~GoNoodle, Jack Hartman, the Learning Station all have great brain break/educational videos

***Want to learn more about music and/or review some concepts we have discussed in class?**

Check out some of these videos!

~A music lesson with notes & instruments: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0A6XwFWD-z0>

~In youtube, type in Music Show Episode 1 and review the concept of "steady beat."

-Check out any of the Music Show Episodes for more musical concepts!

~Plank Road Publishing and Music K8 are other great resources for musical review.

***How about using music to review/learn science, social studies and math concepts?**

Click on some links below!

~Seven Continents Song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6DSMZ8b3LE>

~The Money Song (coins): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnXJGNo08v0>

~The Five Oceans Song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X6BE4VcYngQ>

~The Properties of Multiplication Song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jG9E2pev3bQ>

I would love to see and hear about any musical activities your child/children are doing at home! Please feel free to email me anytime with pictures, videos or just updates on what your child is doing. I will check my email frequently throughout the 3 weeks and beyond if necessary. bsmucker@wlstigers.org Stay healthy and enjoy this extended time with your families.

Musically Yours, Mrs. Smucker