

**To those who have shared their musical experiences with me the past few weeks: THANK YOU! I so enjoy hearing from you.**

**Here are a few non-technology music ideas for the weeks ahead:**

- **Interviews:** Interview family members (grandparents, aunts & uncles, cousins, etc.) or teachers about their musical backgrounds and interests. What is their favorite song right now and why? What instruments do they play? What does music mean to them? Who are their favorite artists? You can record the responses and also answer the questions yourself.
- **Instrument invention:** invent a new instrument. Draw a picture of it and describe how it is played, how it's constructed, and what it sounds like, or make one out of recycled materials.
- **Listening log:** have students write down music that they hear each day. Depending on the age, they can also record information about the songs, like the title/ artist, genre, mood, time signature, tempo, instrumentation, etc, or they could draw a picture in response to the music.
- **Singing log:** Write down songs that you sing each day. Sing along with a recording, sing by yourself, or sing with your family.
- **Soundtrack of my life:** Create an imaginary album that shows who you are. You can make a list of song titles, and for each song describe the music and how it represents aspects of your personality/ life. You could also design an album cover to go with it!

**\*As always, please share your adventures with me at [bsmucker@wlstigers.org](mailto:bsmucker@wlstigers.org).**

**Happy Music Making! ~Mrs. Smucker**