Fun Music Lessons for Elementary classes

Musicplay Online Platform

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Musicplay Resources we will explore in this webinar

Modules - lesson pairs create continuity Unit-Back to School Unit-Musicals, Concerts Listening activities Documents-posters-Visual aids for the music classroom **Documents-Assessments**

Long Range Planning:

1. How many minutes does each class have in music per week?*

2. Assessment: weekly checkmarks*, formal tests*

3. Whole School Calendar-events, activities, days of significance

4. Concerts, Musicals*, field trips

5. Extra-curricular groups: choir, karaoke, recorder, ukelele, guitar*

Days of Significance (examples)

Terry Fox Run

Walk to School Day

Thanksgiving

Anti-bullying awareness (Ontario Govt)

Truth and Reconciliation

Martin Luther King Day

Finding a focus for your lessons, terms and year



Choose your focus instrument(s); voice, classroom instruments, drums, recorder, ukelele, guitar, Orff instruments.



Choose your success criteria or rubric correlated to your provincial curriculum.



Pair your lessons to increase student success.



Talk to the classroom teachers about units and topics you can make connections with in music class.

What makes a lesson fun

- Variety of Activities; moving, singing, listening, playing instruments
- Feeling of success: 2 stars and a wish to self
- Friendly and Fair
- Something to look forward to next time:
 i.e. "favourites" review

Wrap up



Other staff, instructional leaders and admin can be a great support.



Promote the arts in your school community.



Contact me by email for support with planning, school song writing and production.



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Thank you!

• Wishing you a wonderful, fun school year.