

October Newsletter



We've had an excellent start to the school year and all three bands are working on some great music for the upcoming school year. There are 200 band students at Stonepark this year and we are all really enjoying the new band room!

Please note the following fall rehearsal schedule:

Tuesdays: Grade 9 Band (7:50-8:35 a.m.)

*Students are asked to please arrive at school at least 10 minutes before early morning rehearsals begin.

The Grade 9 monthly after school rehearsal will be held on Thursday, October 28 from 3:10-4:30 p.m..

Wednesdays: Grade 7 Band (12:25-1:15 p.m.)

*Wednesday, October 13: Jazz Band Begins (3:10-4:15)

Thursdays: Grade 8 Band (7:50-8:35 a.m.)

Approximately fourteen Grade 9 band students will be selected this month to represent Stonepark in this year's **P.E.I. Provincial Honour Band**. The Honour Band is a provincial band comprised of over 100 grade 9 students from across P.E.I. This year

the P.E.I. Intermediate Honour Band will rehearse together as an ensemble from **January 28-30** and will present concerts for the public at the Confederation Centre in Charlottetown and at the Jubilee Theatre in Summerside on **Sunday, January 30**. A full day of rehearsals will also be held in early January for Honours Band students from the Eastern School District. Please note that Honour Band students must be able to attend **all** activities and concerts during the Honour Band weekend in order to be part of this ensemble. No exceptions can be made to this expectation due to the short time period involved and the intensive nature of each rehearsal. The Honours Band weekend is a very challenging and rewarding enrichment activity for grade 9 music students. Interested students should request the information sheet and contract from Mrs. Peters.

Grade 9 band students will perform during the annual **Remembrance Day Assembly** at Stonepark on Wednesday, **November 10**. Band uniforms will be required for this performance.

Our annual **Christmas concert** is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m.** Grade 7 band students will need a band uniform for the Christmas concert which consists of a white shirt or blouse, black pants or skirt and dark shoes. Grade 8 and grade 9 band students are asked to wear a white shirt or blouse, black pants or skirt and dark shoes and the Stonepark band sweater. This uniform will be worn for all band concerts and performances this year.

Thank you to students and parents for their efforts in making band rehearsals run so smoothly in September!

