

Music Notes

From the studio of Stephanie Parker

Jan. 2019

Happy New Year! It was so wonderful to hear the students who performed in the Christmas recital. I hope everyone had a nice break and is ready to get back to learning some beautiful music. Here are some important dates to note for the coming semester:

Lessons resume the week of January 7, 2019

No lessons February 11–15 (out-of-town conference)

No lessons February 18–22 (winter break)

No lessons April 1–5 (spring break)

TBD: recital in May

Last day of school year lessons: May 17

June and July: individual lessons available on Wednesdays

On a personal note: After months of diligently searching for permanent housing, we have purchased a lot in Pinewood Forest, and will continue living here until the house and custom studio are completed. Thanks again for going back to the 1970's with us in our retro space! Students are going to love the new studio and parents will have interesting places to enjoy while they wait!

Q: Why should students practice and learn on a quality piano/keyboard?

A: Developing the right “touch” and mechanics of playing the keys are important elements of playing the piano. Being able to control the force with which students can strike the keys helps them to develop finger strength, as well as endurance for playing songs with lots of notes. Volume and expression can be better developed on an action-reactive piano. If you don't have an acoustic (real) piano or a weighted-key digital keyboard, please feel free to ask me for recommendations if you are looking to upgrade. There are many affordable choices out there!

