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Musical Children



Lara's Letter



June 2017

Summer is here, and things are sizzling! We look forward to an exciting season with your young ones, as well as the school-age friends who we'll be working with at many Centers!

We have concluded our unit on **Moods and Styles of Music**, and will soon embark on a very special journey - "**Music Around the World!**" - by visiting many different countries to explore how children from all over the globe celebrate with music! We've collected wonderful songs, dances, musical games, unique instruments, crafts, and traditions from various cultures. Each week we will "travel" to a different venue and explore their culture. Your children will help create their very own passport and receive a stamp at each destination!

Parents, if you have any experiences or items from another country that you'd be willing to share with us this summer, please drop us a note or call to let us know! While you can send souvenirs in with your child, we welcome you to come share with us in person, if possible. We hope to give our students a true **Multicultural musical** experience this summer, and your first-hand knowledge will only enhance our efforts!

Keep up with our adventures through weekly email updates from your teacher, our web site, OR our **FACEBOOK** page! Class happenings, musical links, ideas, quotes, pictures, and at-home tips are at your fingertips :-)
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Have a Musical Birthday Party!



What's Included:

- A FUN and Exciting music time focused on the birthday boy or girl
- Thematic songs and activities available
- 45 minutes of singing, dancing, playing instruments and a variety of musical activities
- All children make their own instrument - great party favors!
- Right to the use of the Kidstunes logo for invitations or thank you notes
- We come to you - all supplies are provided

Visit www.Kidstunes.org (under the parents tab) to inquire about a specific date for your party!

JUNE - MUSIC AROUND THE WORLD

This exciting introduction to the *Kidstunes* Multicultural unit takes students on a “trip” around the world! We will “visit” different countries each week to learn how children all over the globe celebrate with music! Through songs, dances, musical games, unique instruments, crafts, and traditions from cultures across all the continents, students will get a true taste of many venues. They will even have their very own “passport” and receive a stamp upon arrival at each destination! Parents and teachers, if you have any items or experience from another country that may help us with this unit,

and you’re willing to share, please let us know! Your first-hand knowledge, souvenirs, and involvement will truly enhance our journey! We have LOTS of fun with this series and aim for a truly multicultural experience for all!



“Music is a language the whole world speaks!”



Musical Moments

Make family music a part of your routine this summer! Listed below are some suggestions for incorporating music into the hectic schedule of swimming lessons, family vacations, sports activities, and all that comes along with these steamy months!

- ♪ Make simple rhythm instruments from every-day materials (visit our web site or Facebook page for ideas).
- ♪ Check out books on musical subjects from your local library.
- ♪ Attend an outside musical performance and discuss the instruments/voices involved. Be an active participant, if possible!
- ♪ For long trips in the car, have a sing-a-long. Take turns teaching each other new songs, or make up your own. Add body percussion too!
- ♪ Purchase or make a set of streamers, ribbons, or scarves. Spread out in the yard. Play music in a variety of moods / styles and explore the magic of music **AND MOVEMENT!**

Hello to All the Children of the World

We’ll be learning new languages soon! Throughout the summer, we use songs in other languages. One of our favorites is a Hello song that shows how different countries say “Hello”! And yes, they DO learn all these words :-). See if you can sing —or just chant it — with them at home!

***Hello, Bonjour (French), Buenos Dias (Spanish)...
G’Day (Australian), Guten Tag (German), Kon Nichi Wa (Japanese)!
Ciao (Italian), Shalom (Hebrew), Dobre Dyen (Russian)...
HELLO to all the children of the world!***