

# *Music Class*

Leewood Elementary  
Mrs. Cathy Hudson

## General Music Class

Students in grades 2 through 5 will learn basic musicianship skills. Emphasis is on developing singing, playing percussion and keyboard instruments, reading and writing music notation, listening, composing, analysis and vocabulary. Florida Sunshine State Standards and Dade County Competency Based curriculum are followed. A wide repertoire of literature is used for vocal and instrumental performance as well as listening to recordings that include master composer works, folk music of the world and contemporary literature. Video media is also used to expand the musical experience beyond the classroom, to relate the study of music to our lives today and its historical development. This includes the study of composers, musicians, musical instruments and forms used in musical entertainment. Reading, writing and math activities are also a part of music class to reinforce FCAT achievement goals.

## Agenda Books

Look in the agenda to find information about class studies, vocabulary, assignments to practice music skills, upcoming tests and individual discipline concerns.

## Student or Parent Portal

Music grades can be monitored by logging onto [www.dadeschools.net](http://www.dadeschools.net). You will need the student identification number to access the portal.

## Grading

Students are graded on class participation, written tests, written class activities and performance. Some class work is kept in their music folder and may be viewed by parents before or after school.

## Home Learning

Students are asked to keep a "STAY HOME MUSIC NOTEBOOK". All written materials, charts, tests and music should be placed in this notebook for home study. **Please keep these materials for ongoing study throughout the year as well as from one year to the next.**

Home learning assignments are for students self study and not to be turned in, unless a due date is given for a special project.