

High Notes

Nursery, PreK and Kindergarten

We sang the “HELLO SONG” but now “we’re” really singing the “Hello” song! The children and I have found our groove! We now do our own “Weather Report”. We always call on “Mr. Sun” because, it’s our favorite, but we also became the “Wind in the Corn” with our scarves because it has been so windy outside and we can see the trees from our classroom! Halloween is almost here, so we’re starting our Halloween songs! Of course that means lots of dancing! The children will participate in the “Run Across Africa” Sing-In. They will be playing bells and maracas!

1st and 2nd Grade

“We’ve Got Rhythm!” We start every class with a rhythm “Name Game”. We started with first names and progressed to first and last name, in rhythm, not missing a beat! They can’t wait to tackle first, last, and middle! The 1st and 2nd graders will also be participating in the “Run Across Africa” Sing-In. They will sing, but they will also play “sticks”, of course!

3rd Grade

“Row, Row Row Your Boat”! We are still singing in round! We added a new song to our repertoire, “Jubilate Deo”, which is in Latin. Latin is a great language to sing in because of all of the vowels! The 3rd graders are jubilant because their Recorders finally arrived and we are starting THIS week! Yea! Don’t forget 3rd grade Violins is a reality!

4th and 5th Grade

We cannot only sing in round, we can sing in cannon! Our song is also “Jubilate Deo”. We are singing it in 3 parts. It is very exciting! The 4th and 5th graders will be the leaders of our “Run Across Africa” Sing-In. They will be placed around the Center so that they can be vocal as well as rhythm leaders for the rest of the school. They have taken this responsibility seriously and should feel so proud!

As the “Run Across Africa” progresses the entire school will be learning different folk songs from the countries we run across. We are starting with a West African welcome song.

Please feel free to share with me songs from your own holiday traditions. “Knowledge Is Power” and music breaks down barriers!

Sing on!

*Karen McVoy Stone
Music Teacher*