

- - - most new emails have NOT been inputted. If you know a person who is in the music program who is not receiving this email, please forward them a copy. I hope to have everyone inputted by next week. Thank you.

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Musical Definition of the week:

Mallade: A romantic song that's pretty awful.

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Reflections

This is my fourth year at CV and my 12th year teaching overall. I am continually amazed by the “opening school” jitters I feel every year around this time. It’s an exciting and dynamic period where I am able to meet new faces and acquaint myself with old ones. I get to experiment with new ideas and methods of teaching while evaluating past years and setting goals for the current one. Much like a new student, who starts school full of apprehension about their new classes, teachers, and friends, most teachers themselves share the same feelings on the opening day of School. I welcome everyone to a new, dynamic, and exciting year at CV. It’s great to be a Falcon!

Every music class has had an increase in the amount of student enrolment. Marching band boasts over 110 members and Orchestra is topping out at 92. Overall, we have 326 students enrolled in instrumental music. (Three of which are from Clark High School) I’m excited about the continual growth, yet experimenting in new ways to keep myself organized (and sane.)

The Marching Band had their first gig at Thousand Oaks High School on Friday as they played for our Football team. Even though the Football team wasn’t successful in the end, we all saw signs of improvement from last year that shows promise. I know that our team will be stronger this year and the band will be with them every step of the way to add our support.

The Band did well and was extremely strong for the first game. I still want us to be more precise with the notes and rhythm, but we played many pep songs and added excitement to the game.

I was proud of our discipline and attention. We watched the other Marching Band do their field show and every one of our members was respectful and attentive.

Next week our band will perform their first field show. Come out and give us (and the football team) your support.

Important Dates this week check <http://falconmusic.org/Instrumental/Calendar/detailed.htm> for more details.

Tuesday, 9/14 – Parent/Booster Meeting! ALL PARENTS SHOULD ATTEND! 7-8pm Music Room

Wednesday, 9/15 – Marching Band Practice every Wednesday from 4-6pm.

Friday, 9/17 – Football vs. St. Francis (Home), MB report 4:30 pm w/ uniform T, shoes & gloves

Saturday, 9/18 – Krispy Kreme fundraiser, Foothill Blvd. 7-9:30am. Seller spots already filled for this day

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Tuesday, 9/21 – Back-to-School night. MB performs, 5:30pm call.

Wednesday, 9/22 - Marching Band Practice every Wednesday from 4-6pm.

Thursday, 9/23 – Marching Band - Football vs Saugus (Away). 5pm call.

Saturday, 9/24 – Krispy Kreme sales Foothill. Spread the word! Benefits all instrumental groups. 7-9:30am

Parent Meeting this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Room 3102 (The Instrumental Music Room)

Do not forget our first parent meeting of the year. If you only attend one meeting a year, this is the one you need to attend. We will give an overview of the music program and its goals for the upcoming year. We'll touch on our spring trip to Hawaii and decide a separate meeting time to discuss the trip. I hope to see everyone there.

Entertainment Book Fundraiser

We were supposed to start this fundraiser last week. The books never came in and I expect them to show up this week. Entertainment books are a great way to raise money for the music department. Each book has hundreds of coupons which, if used, more than make up the cost of the book itself. Every student is expected to sell one book. If a student sells more than one book, they will receive credits towards their student account which will help them raise money for Hawaii.

Krispy Kreme – WE NEED SIGN-UPS!!!!

Krispy Kreme is a wonderful way to earn credits this summer. Credits are important because this year we will be traveling to Hawaii and the cost will be around \$950 per person. If you want a head start in earning credits (money) towards Hawaii, then sign up online. Click on the Krispy Kreme link on the homepage for more info, or contact Michelle Pashayi for more information. (818)-249-9718 or by email: mpashayi@yahoo.com

ESCRIP – Electronic Scrip fundraiser

This is the easier fundraiser to help the music department. All you need to do is register with ESCRIP (forms will be provided at the first parent meeting this Tuesday) and a percentage of your purchases at Vons and other stores will be donated to the instrumental music department. Go to www.escrip.com and register now. Our group name is Falconmusic and our ID number is **149030987**. You may also download forms from our website, fill out and turn them in to Mr. Schick. Go to www.falconmusic.org and click the link "escrip."

Web Page Update – www.falconmusic.org

Marching Band Pictures from the Football Game at 1,000 Oaks. Calendar update - detailed through November

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"Music is a higher revelation than all wisdom and philosophy. Music is the electrical soil in which the spirit lives, thinks and invents."

-- Ludwig van Beethoven

Until next week...

Musically yours,

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