

# Welcome to Class Guitar

Spring 2018

Instructor: Mrs. Flory

The guitar is an extremely versatile instrument and is used in numerous musical styles around the world. This semester will provide you a basic understanding of the guitar to help you in whatever style you hope to pursue.

## **Class Objectives:**

- To gain a foundational understanding and basic skills in playing the guitar
- To understand beginning music theory related to the guitar

## **How the Class is Graded:**

40% Written Work

- Completing and turning in homework and assignment.

45% Music Theory Tests/Playing Tests

- Students will need to show proficiency in certain guitar skills by playing for Mr. Flory. This is done many times throughout the semester.
- There will be tests/quizzes involving reading music, rhythms, and commonly used musical terms.

15% Live Performances

- There will be two class recitals; one at the end of each quarter. Students will be expected to perform in front of their classmates for a grade.

If a student is absent from class then h/she will need to make up the missed practice time by doing one of the following:

1. Practicing the guitar at home (if the student has a guitar) for a half-hour per day absent. The student then brings a note signed by a parent indicating the time practiced, **OR**
2. The student can perform a guitar piece they have learned for the class on Fridays. The piece simply needs to be approved by Mrs. Flory.

I look forward to this semester and working with each of you to learn the adaptable music of the guitar. Please do not hesitate to e-mail me any questions or concerns.

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