Band Letter 8: November 5th, 2014

Dear Band Parents,

Quick Reminder: No before school rehearsal or lessons tomorrow on Thursday, November 6th.

We will resume our regular schedule next week, on Nov. 12th and 13th, 2014

Today, we had group lessons. The assignment for this week will be:

• Standard of Excellence Book: **Page 8 (and in some cases: page 9/10) –** Please help remind your children to practice regularly so they do not fall behind on their band homework.

In the front cover of each lesson book, there is an assignment chart with a space for a parent/guardian's signature in the right hand corner.

Your child's job: write down their weekly assignments at lessons and record how many minutes each practice session is during the week.

Your job: Confirm that your child's practice chart lists the correct amount of practice sessions and minutes practiced each week with your signature.

At this point in the year, I begin to review practice chart each week to check for total minutes and signatures. This will begin on November 12th/13th and will continue for the remainder of the year. Please note that these home practice charts are a part of your child's grading process for band – our weekly assignments are the band homework for the week. Thus, incomplete assignments (no practice) will result in a lower grade overall.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions and have a great week!

Warm Regards, Julia Brion Mill Hill Band <u>jbrion@fairfieldschools.org</u>