



JOANNE MARIE'S SCHOOL OF PIANO

Dear Parents and Students:

The 2017-2018 Piano Term will begin on Tuesday, September 5th.

*This year's term will be offered for **36 weeks** meaning no matter what day your lesson is on, you will receive 36 lessons.*

Our term is divided into 3 semesters of 12 weeks- fall, winter, and spring.

Optional, pro-rated lessons may be offered throughout June, July and August.

Fall semester will run from Tuesday, September 5 through Tuesday, November 21st.

Winter semester will run from Tuesday November 28 through Wed. February 28th.

Spring semester will run from Tuesday, March 6th through Tuesday, May 30th.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all returning students and their families, as well as those families and students who are joining the studio for the first time. As you will see on the calendar, students have the opportunity to participate in many events. We encourage this, as it helps in keeping everyone interested, motivated, and **practicing!**

This year's staff includes:

Mrs. Joanne M. Barnaba, who graduated with a Bachelor of Music degree from Crane School of Music, and a Master's degree in education. Mrs. Barnaba has written and published numerous professional articles on piano teaching and pedagogy.

Mr. Dan Barnaba, is working on his Music Degree at Winthrop University, as well as composing and arranging music. Mr. Dan teaches guitar, drums, piano, and saxophone.

(If you are receiving online- the following information is included in your email)

Your Lesson/Class Time is: _____ Teacher: _____

Day: _____ Beginning: _____

Attached is a tuition invoice for the first semester for lessons with Mrs. Joanne Barnaba. Payments may be made in one payment, or in 3 monthly payments. Please note that each term is made up of 12 weeks.

Per handout for Mrs. Barnaba's students, there is a weekly tuition increase of \$1.00. A \$10.00 late fee will be added to all invoices after the payment deadline.

Make-up Lessons: Lessons may be cancelled, but please be considerate and notify us by phone or email at least 24 hours in advance.

*Make-up lessons may be offered during or at the end of the school year at the teacher's discretion, limit of 3 per student. However, if you have a scheduling conflict, all students are encouraged to exchange lesson times with another student for that week. Please call for a "swap list." **If you choose not to swap lessons, or schedule make-up lessons, or have not notified us ahead of time, you are still responsible for the tuition fee!***

A courtesy 2-week notice in writing is requested to terminate lessons.

Parking: If taking lessons in River Hills, due to **strict zoning** restrictions, we ask you to park your vehicles in the driveway at all times. **Please do not park in front of the house!** Pull your car all the way into the driveway, or park side by side by side to allow other vehicles room to back out. You will be admitted through the guard gate. Let them know that you will be "visiting" Joanne Barnaba. I will call the gate with a weekly list. Small children need to be supervised at all times. We encourage all students & parents to wait inside in our waiting area, or in your car.

Your participation in our program signifies the acceptance of all the above policies.

REASONS FOR DAYS OFF

Tuesday, December 26- Wednesday, January 3rd _ _ _ _ _ Holiday Recess
Lessons resume Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Week of April 2, 2018 _ _ _ _ _ Spring/Easter Break

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 5, 2017, Holiday recital, River Hills Country Club, 3:00-5:00 PM
\$10.00 per family

Friday April 20th, 2018 NGPT auditions, River Hills community church, Lake Wylie, SC

Sunday, May 6, 2018, Holiday recital, River Hills Country Club, 3:00-5:00 PM
\$10.00 per family

Please refer to newsletters/handouts and website for additional events and/or changes.

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To get the most out of piano lessons and your "money's worth," students need to practice- diligently & daily.

Please oversee your child's weekly practice assignments.

We are looking forward to another exciting and rewarding school year!

Thank you for choosing to study music with us.

Mrs. Joanne Barnaba

Mr. Dan Barnaba

