



# St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

"Lord be thy word my rule."

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Dear Parents,

## Recorders

Year 4 children have been asked to practise the recorder melody, "Chilled", at home over the Christmas break, as we prepare for the Recorder Festival, due to take place in March. I have allowed them to take their named recorder home. Recorders need to be returned at the start of next term ready for lessons. All the children can make a pleasant sound already on the recorder, although there may be occasional squeaks when they misplace their fingers or blow too harshly. This happens most often when they try to play the music too quickly.

Please help your child to use their recorder safely by ensuring that:

- Recorders are only played when sitting still.
- Only your child uses their recorder – no sharing with friends or siblings.
- If the recorder requires cleaning, please wash just the mouthpiece by hand, using washing up liquid and warm water.

I am very pleased with the good progress that the children have made in their first term and hope you can enjoy listening to their new piece as they continue to improve.

If you haven't yet been able to complete your purchase of a school recorder through scopay, please try to do so by January. The children will be using them every week in Year 4 and will continue to use them in Year 5 and 6 as they progress through the school.

Thank you for your co-operation and support,

Mrs Amison

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