Welcome Back from the JMI String Teacher!

I am so excited to be teaching the 4th and 5th grade JMI String Orchestra for another great year! If your son or daughter signed up to learn a string instrument (violin, viola or cello) this year, our lessons will begin the 3rd week of September! If your son or daughter is in 4th or 5th grade and still wishes to sign up, please contact me so I can send you the registration. The deadline for signing up is the 3rd Monday of September.

This year, all string players that are in their first year of experience will learn the basics of the instrument, how to read in the key of D Major and how to perform together as an orchestra for our concerts! All second year players will learn to read more advanced music, rhythms, notation and will be given the oppertunity for more performances! As was mentioned before, we do not provide instruments to our students. To rent an instrument, please visit The Music Shop (www.themusicshop.com) OR Elefante Music: www.elefantemusic.com

For questions relating to the Instrumental Lesson program, please email me directly: molly.biscocho@edison.k12.nj.us

Check out our school instrumental website below for helpful information about our program. https://sites.google.com/edison.k12.nj.us/menlo-park-jmi-bandstrings/home

String Lesson Checklist:

- 1. Essential Elements 2000 for Strings, Book 1 (comes with rental)
- 2. molded violin/viola sponge or shoulder rest (for violin/viola -comes with the rental).
 - 3. Rock-stop (cello players only -comes with rental)
 - 4. Rosin (comes with rental)
 - 5. Instrument
 - 6. Folder (comes with rental)
 - 7. Shoulder/handbag to carry all materials
 - 8. Extra Set of Strings