

## **Practice tips!**

- 1. Make practicing fun!
  - a. Purchase Smart Music and play along with the computer!
  - b. Perform for family and friends!
  - c. Figure out songs you know using the notes learned!
  - d. Create your own songs!
- 2. Practice at the same time every day.
- 3. Concentrate on the music rather than the clock (beginners usually last about 15-20 min. before getting physically tired, while 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year players can last 20-30 minutes).
- 4. Make a special practice area at home.
- 5. Practice with a goal in mind.
- 6. Listen for mistakes and fix them!
- 7. Parents-Be "nosy"! Ask what your child learned in lessons/band, and make requests to hear music. Haverling Band members always take requests!
- 8. Clean and store the instrument carefully when practice time is over.