

November 12, 2019

Hello John Stubbs Community,

As term two quickly approaches the staff at John Stubbs Middle School are starting to prepare for a new round of exploratories. One new exploratory we are hoping to get off the ground is an "intro to guitar and jamming with others" program. Over the course of the program students will learn the chords needed to play in key with one another with other string instruments and some simple percussion instruments. In order to make this exploratory possible, we need your help.

Here's what we need from the JSM community:

- Donations of:
  - gently used guitars (we are hopeful for 12+)
  - stands
  - strings
  - cases
- Volunteers (recurring or single visits)
  - the supervising teacher would welcome anyone in a band or a background in guitar who would like to share their experience with the students. The focus of the exploratory will be on playing together and encouraging one another to learn from each other, if that sounds like you, please reach out.
  - volunteers are requested to do a criminal background check (it takes roughly 4-6 weeks once started).

Thank you in advance for any assistance we can get from the community. Please only send gear you are donating and not gear you are hoping will be returned. If you have any further questions regarding donations or volunteering please contact Mr. Devin Ryan at the school or by e-mail [dryan@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:dryan@sd62.bc.ca).

Sincerely,

Mr. Devin Ryan