

# First Grade Violin Week 7

Nov. 26-30, 2007

## .....VIOLIN NOTES.....

At last, we have a “song” to play! It's called the “Irish Jig,” and it should help your child learn the violin strings while also attempting to make a ringing sound on the violin. Don't forget, if you are confused, look at the video at <http://www.violinist.com/mckinley>. Also, it's a normal week! If all goes well, we should have all classes at the normal times. The website also lists class times, if you need a reminder!

## .....PRACTICE ASSIGNMENT.....

1. Continue to practice taking out your violin, tightening your bow, rosining it, and attaching the shoulder pad. Students will need to be able to do this themselves during class!
2. Review everything!
3. Learn the names of the strings. Going from the lowest one up: G, D, A and E.

“**Good Dogs Always Eat: G, D, A, E!**”

Sing the **GGG Song**:

GGG,  
going up to DDD,  
going up to AAA  
going up to EEE  
going down to AAA  
going down to DDD  
going down to GGG

4. Do the **Numbers Game** to get violin on shoulder, make a perfect bow hold, then do :

**Silent E Rockets**: raise bow and land silently on the E string, at the middle tape on bow

**BOOMS**: starting with bow on the string, quickly rock to the next string when someone says “Boom!”

5. Practice playing the **Irish Jig**; the song is written out on the back of this page. The song uses all open strings, playing two strings at a time. All bows are down bows, so circle around for each set of notes. I printed out the “real” music at the bottom of the page; the bottom line is the student part, and the top line is the “jig” that goes with it!