

# Welcome!

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Kindermusik is so much more than just a music class and we want you to get the most from your experience with us. Please take the time to read this important letter.

To see the date and time of your first class, login to your [account](#), where you will also be able to...

- View and print your transactions
- Update your contact & billing information
- Register for other classes
- And much more!

Anytime you wish to login to your account, you can quickly do so from our [website](#). You'll find a link at the top right and also in the QuickLinks menu at the bottom centre of our home screen.

## What to Expect in Class

**New music, new activities every 4 weeks.** Click [here](#) to read a description of all the fun themes we'll experience in class and at home.



**Gathering Time.** The first 5 to 10 minutes of class will be used to purposefully come together. Soft music will be playing and there are books, instruments and other developmentally appropriate materials on the floor for you and baby to explore. This is our time to greet, affirm, visit and get acquainted with one another while we are settling in for class.

**Singing & Vocalization.** Our goal is to provide a musical setting for young toddlers and their caregivers that encourages joyful, spontaneous singing and vocalizing.

**Listening.** We'll introduce selected sounds into the toddler's environment, with the intent of building a sound repertoire, motivating vocal play, fostering some level of attention toward sounds, and laying the groundwork for sound memory.

**Playing Instruments.** This class provides a multi-sensory environment for the toddler to discover, engage with, and experience an instrument, with the dual goals of better understanding the physical properties of the instrument and learning how to play it.

**Movement.** You know it and we know it; your child wants and needs to be on the move, constantly. That's why we provide the optimal learning environment for the young toddler to practice and internalize movement for brain development, overall physical health, body awareness and to experience social interactions with other adults and toddlers.

**Language Development.** Our carefully planned and research-based activities stimulate an understanding of words and expands vocabulary development, building a toddler's love for books and the printed word, and developing a repertoire of sign language that can support toddler-adult conversations.

We'll also coach the adults in the class on effective ways to communicate with young toddlers, easing frustration and enhancing long-term learning.

**Pretend Play.** Our class environment supports pretend play, helping toddlers better understand their world and to develop a sense of security, accomplished through imitation, repetition, expression of feelings, the development of early communication skills, all while building relationships that support self-esteem and self-confidence.

**Hello and Goodbye Routines.** We'll provide a predictable beginning and end to the Kindermusik class experience. This eases anxiety and helps to focus your child for learning.

## One of the best parts of your enrollment...



Your Kindermusik@Home Digital Materials are carefully designed to help you take all the fun, play, and learning from class to home... and back again!

### Directions for New Families:

Registering for Kindermusik@Home is easy, it takes less than a minute, *and* provides access to your materials on computers, mobile devices, and tablets.

1. When you receive the email from Kindermusik, click on the link to [my.kindermusik.com](http://my.kindermusik.com).
2. Select "New User."
3. Enter name and email address, using the same email address as on the email received from Kindermusik.
4. Set a password and security questions.
5. Click on "Create Account" then "Log in!"
6. Enjoy! *Kindermusik@Home* is easy for you. Good for your child. Fun for all!

See these steps in action here: [How-to Register video](#)

If you're already registered at [my.kindermusik.com](http://my.kindermusik.com), your new unit will automatically appear under @Home.

If ever you would like us to help you with anything, just bring your device with you to class.

## KINDERMUSIK@HOME TRICKS & TIPS

1. **ADD KINDERMUSIK@HOME TO YOUR HOME SCREEN.** That way, you don't have to log in every time you want to play with your digital materials, read a story, or listen to your music on the audio player. Here's how...

Go to [my.kindermusik.com](http://my.kindermusik.com) on your internet browser (no http:// prefix), then...

- **BLACKBERRY:** Tap the little heart with the plus sign on it.
- **ANDROID:** Tap the menu button on the bottom left of the phone (not the screen). Select "Add Shortcut to Home Screen".

- **APPLE:** Tap  then select "Add to Home Screen"

2. **LISTEN TO YOUR MUSIC, ANYTIME, ANYWHERE!** Log in to Kindermusik@Home or just tap the icon (if you've added it to your home screen as above), select the unit you want, and tap **AUDIO PLAYER**. Your music will automatically stream to your device! No need to burn CDs... Hooray!!

## Important Stuff...

**Parent/caregiver Involvement:** Always sing and participate enthusiastically in class. Use your teacher as your model and choose a way to do the activities with your child that matches his/her developmental level and personality. Our motto is FOLLOW THE CHILD!

**What to bring:** Dress lightly and comfortably, since we will be moving around a fair bit and the room tends to get a little warm. We have a "No Shoes Policy" in the studio. You may leave your footwear and outerwear in the foyer. Please bring all valuables into the classroom and leave everything else, including car seats, soothers, bottles, and snacks in our gathering area. Ensure your child's bare feet are accessible for activities involving the stimulation of his/her toes and soles of the feet.

**What if my child is sick?** If you, or your child, have a fever, please wait until he/she is fever-free for 24 hours before returning to class. If your child has suffered a stomach bug or has thrown up within the last 24 hours please keep them at home. If your child has a severe cough, thick nasal discharge, rash or conjunctivitis please let them rest at home.

**Yes, we have unlimited classes!** Rest assured you can make up a missed class anytime by taking advantage of our unlimited classes policy. Feel free to join us in any age-appropriate class as availability allows. No need to book ahead, or call us. Just take a look at our [schedule online](#) at the classes that are running for your child's age group and drop in! (Be sure to look at the classes on page 2 as well, as they may not appear in order by age group.)

**Communication:** Communications and information will be distributed by email, in class, or will be available for pick up at the studio. Class-related questions or messages for your child's teacher will be forwarded from the main office. Contact us at 519-622-5702 or email: [info@kindermusikcambridge.com](mailto:info@kindermusikcambridge.com).

### Where to find us:

**Cambridge Studio (and main office):** [180 Sheldon Dr, Unit #2B, Cambridge](#)

*Please note that due to road construction, from August to November access to/from the studio is from Sheldon Drive West (Hespeler Road) only. You will not be able to access it from Franklin Blvd. We apologize for any inconvenience caused.*

**Payment policies:** Payments are processed monthly, September to June, for as long as you are enrolled. Monthly payments may be made by one of the following methods.

1. Preauthorized VISA or MasterCard; OR
2. Bring to your first class post-dated cheques in the amount of \$65 + HST = \$73.45 each, and dated the 5th of each month, from the current month to June.

Please ensure that your account info is complete and your payment method is selected by visiting "[My Account](#)" now. Any payments for registrations received after the 5th of the month will be processed at the time of registration.

**Withdrawal Policy:** If enrollment must be cancelled, any fees paid are non-refundable and the [Withdrawal Request Form](#) must be received by the office prior to the 1st day of your last month in order for your request to be processed. You will be contacted via email by our administrator to confirm this change. Note that it does not take effect until you have received confirmation from the administrator. The materials are yours to keep and enjoy.

For any classes you are unable to attend, there is no cash value and they cannot be transferred to the enrollment of a sibling. You may, however, make them up prior to the end of your enrollment and you have until the end of your last month to do so. *Should you decide to withdraw for a period of time, your space cannot be held. In this case, you are better to keep your space and take advantage of our new unlimited classes offer to make up the classes you will be missing.*

**SAFE & RESPECTFUL:** These two principles are of utmost importance to us and the families in our care. We have the right to terminate any enrollment where an individual is consistently unable to uphold them.

#### Helpful Reminders:

- Download and print our [Calendar of Important Dates](#). It is also always available for quick reference in the Quicklinks section at the bottom of our homepage.
- New baby in the family? Did you know that babies under 4 months are tuition-free for their first 2 months of Cuddle&Bounce? You pay only the cost of Home Materials (\$20 + HST). Please call the office to book your space and read this article that explains [why it's never too early to get your baby enrolled in a music class](#).
- Visit the [Benefits of Kindermusik](#) page for information on how Kindermusik helps your child learn, grow, and develop.



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