

Hello Kiddos!!

Prasse writing...I hope you all are doing well and staying healthy. I truly miss seeing you guys everyday and look forward to our next "Guitar time" together!!

As for upcoming assignments and learning in all of the Leon Guitar classes, here are my thoughts...I would like to proceed with the 4th nine weeks curriculum ABOUT the same as normal yet have to make some obvious modifications to the content delivery experience and assessment procedures. What I mean by this is that I plan to present you with the same or similar content yet have to change the "teaching/modelling/presenting" experience into short videos that I make for you guys. As for grading, I plan have you record videos of yourself playing assignments and upload them into your own student folder. There will likely be a few written assignments too. I know there will be some technological hurdles to resolve with this plan however, I did a similar thing in my Guitar 4 class last school year and feel like this is a pretty good way forward. Another obvious hurdle to cross is getting everyone a guitar for at-home study. Look for more info to come on that subject also.

We will get through these issues as best we can in the next week or two but just know that my overall goal is to try to make some AMAZING "lemonade" out of the lemons that have come our way. Put more simply, I will do everything I can to get you functional in this on-line guitar experience and still try to "coach you guys up" as best I can. I hope you too are excited to move forward through some new content!!

As for future communications, I am going to look into the Microsoft Teams platform on Monday to see if that is the direction we need to go. Last year I used One Drive and of course, FOCUS is always an option too. I think there might be a multi-platform approach needed for all of this so that everyone can be successful in receiving and responding.

While I concede that this message is VERY short on specifics, I just wanted to let you know my overall vision for the next few weeks or months and it is this...let's do the best we can and

"move the ball forward"...and yes, I will still try to use sports metaphors and other humor in the videos too!

We can do this y'all.

Best,

Prasse!