Dear Room 127 Families,

WOW, these kids are polite, helpful, kind and ready to learn! We are still working on establishing clear routines and the kids are eager to dive into their books. This week we have started our math curriculum. I am sending home a letter to you with more information on our first multiplication unit. We have also started our information writing. This will be a wonderful year of growth for us all and I look forward to developing a partnership with you.

When I asked the kids to generate questions they had about third grade, most were interested in their new schedule. Here are the details of our day. Students begin coming into the building at 8:45AM, as a class, from the hardtop. When it is raining or too cold outside they will wait in the gym. We start our day with attendance and lunch count at 9:00 AM sharp. We will have a quick Morning Meeting and then Social Studies or Science from 9:15-10:00. Then we have a quick snack and read aloud before Math from 10:15-11:15 and then go straight to specials. After that we have Reading before recess and lunch. The afternoon is filled with writing and Fundations. Dismissal is at 3:30 PM on Monday through Thursday and at 12:30 on every Friday. Thank you for picking up your student at their designated spot.

Our specialist schedule is:

Monday: Health/SEL

Tuesday: Art

Wednesday: Music & Library (return your books)

Thursday: Music & PE

Friday: none

Birthdays are an exciting time in elementary school and in room 127 we celebrate by making a very thoughtful Birthday Compliment Board honoring the child on his/her special day. We do not have cake or special snacks. Thank you for supporting this district policy.

Water bottles are needed. If your child gets thirsty during the day they will miss valuable class time going back and forth to the water fountain.  $\odot$ 

## How to Contact Me

By Note - sent in with your child in the morning.

By email - send an email for small things or scheduling. dpelkey@lexingtonma.org

By phone - call the office (781) 860-5800 for any urgent messages and speak to a secretary.

Sincerely, Debbie Pelkey