



*In the eight years that my three children have attended MacArthur Elementary they have had eleven wonderful teachers between them.* One of these teachers is Terry Johnson, who taught two of my three children. Both benefited from her teaching in different ways.

Terry's classroom is always organized and decorated to provide encouragement for learning without being too distracting. One area both of my children enjoyed is her large library of classroom books. She provides time each day for students to read for enjoyment in addition to the reading that is part of the curriculum. The class is run with respect for each student, which earns Terry respect from her students. Students are encouraged to do their personal best and learning is always fun and enjoyable.

My son, Daniel, entered first grade needing structure to help him stay focused on his learning. With Terry's firm guidance, he became focused and very interested in reading. He read the entire "Magic Tree House" series of books while in her class. He left first grade well prepared for more independent learning required in second grade.

My daughter, Rachel, entered second grade rather shy and unsure of her abilities. Terry recognized her potential and with her encouragement, Rachel became confident, well spoken, and a prolific writer. When Rachel completed her work, Terry provided her opportunities to reinforce the current topics instead of giving her busy work to do. Rachel left second grade well prepared for the expectations in third grade.

## TEACHERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Getting to know Terry Johnson personally has been a pleasure too. She always made herself available for questions or comments and communicated well with parents throughout the school year. I am happy that my children got to experience Terry's teaching as part of their Green Bay public school education.

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Terry Johnson and Rachel and Daniel (MacArthur Elementary)

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