

June 23, 1999
Harvard Elementary School
27 Massachusetts Avenue
Harvard, MA 01451

Dear Trust Member,

Enclosed are letters of appreciation from the fifth graders at Harvard Elementary School thanking you for your generous donation. Your donation allowed us to purchase a math materials kit which we were able to use throughout the year. The materials helped students to understand concepts at the concrete level through hands-on activities. This formed the foundation for their abstract development of concepts.

The students recognized the need for the materials and truly valued having the materials to explore and to develop understandings. They reiterated what research has shown that students learn by doing. I have purchased storage containers so all materials may be easily maintained for future years. The containers will also allow us to readily share the materials with science and other math classes.

While some students wrote letters to the Harvard Trust members, others chose to write letters to the editors of the Harvard Post or Harvard Hillside. Hopefully these will be published shortly. Photocopies of the students' letters were also sent home with the students, so their parents might become aware of the Trust's role in supporting our schools.

Once again thank you for your generous donation. Your many fine efforts are deeply appreciated by our schools.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Liz Hayden". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Liz Hayden