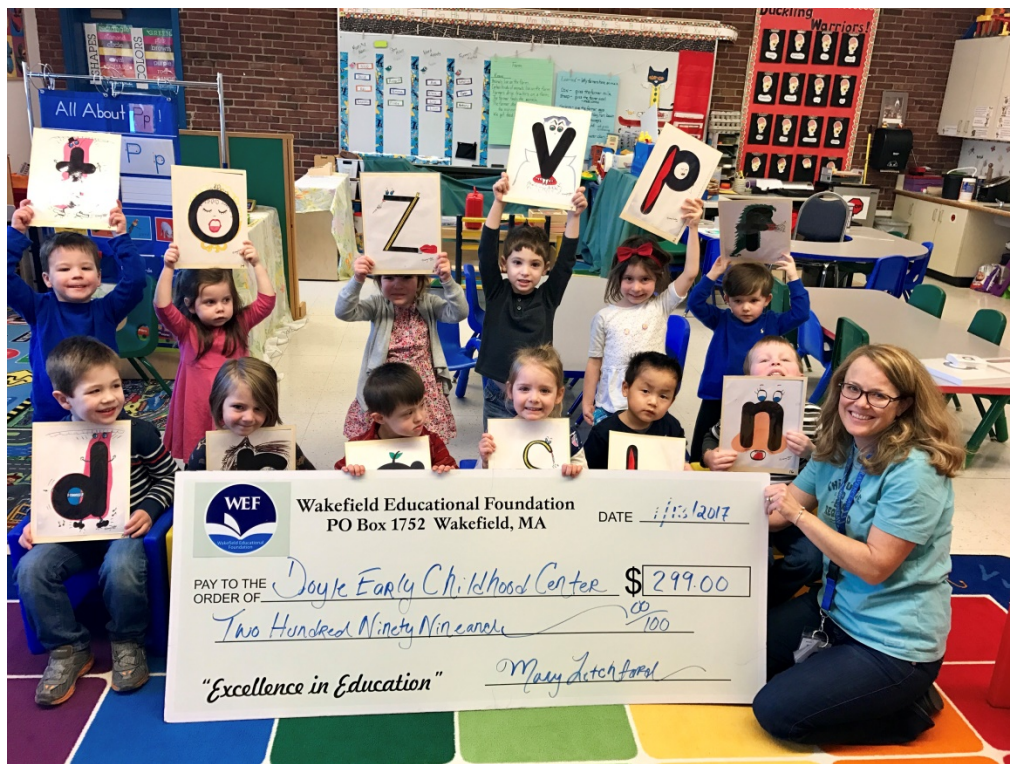


WEF DOLLARS AT WORK

Congratulations to Erin Schermerhorn, pre-school teacher at the Doyle School. Wakefield Educational Foundation (WEF) recently awarded Erin funds to purchase Lively Letters materials to connect school learning with home. Erin attended a conference last year in Marlborough and purchased the Lively Letters manual, boxed picture cards, the CD, and various books to utilize in the classroom however thought that having an additional set to send home with the students taking turns would allow parents to better understand the program.

Lively Letters is a reading program that turns abstract letters and sounds into lively, colorful characters. Letters and letter combinations are embedded into colorful pictures that show students what to do with their mouths when making the letter sounds. Data collected last year showed a significant increase in students who knew their letter sounds by June in compared to students who did not use Lively Letters.



Pictured are Erin Schermerhorn and students in her pre-school class.

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