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Dear 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents,

My name is Patrick Delaney, and I am from Atlanta (亚特兰大), Georgia in the USA. I got my degree in teaching English at Georgia State University in America, and my Master's in Education from the University of West Florida. I have taught at several schools in America and at Tsinghua University in Beijing (清华大学). I moved to Qingdao in 2008 and taught at an international school there until 2014 when I moved to Beijing and BIBA. I am married to a Chinese woman from Qingdao, and we have a bilingual family. We have two young boys at BIBA, Tommy, who is in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and Timmy who is in 3<sup>rd</sup>.

I like lots of children's things like cartoons, comics, LEGOs, Star Wars, Pokémon, video games; so, I always have something to talk about with my students. I really like to read, and anyone can see that by how many books we have in our classroom. I have read all of the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series, *Captain Underpants*, *Amulet*, *Zita the Spacegirl*, *Star Wars*, *Hi-Lo*, and many of your child's favorite English books too. I have all of these in our class to share with the students if they haven't read them. My goal for our students is to have them love reading as much as I do and to become better readers during their time with me. I also like writing poetry, short stories, and a couple of books which I will share with the students when we are studying these things.

Working in China for so long with foreign students and teaching my wife English has taught me patience, which is an important quality for an elementary school teacher. Another important quality is being organized. We have lots of new rules and procedures in class for the students to learn, such as ONLY SPEAKING ENGLISH in English class. This is an important one. We will play a year-long game in class with coins and rewards. Students can earn coins for speaking English all the time in my class. We will have lots of fun in class this year and the students will learn so much. I really look forward to having a great year with my new children!

We will be using computers almost every day in class, and your children will become experts! Please make sure children bring their computer to school every day, and that the battery is fully charged. Here is my class' homepage with links to all of the things we will be doing and some more information about me. Please show it to your children and let them explore and familiarize themselves with it. We will use it every day. <https://themrpat.com>

Please contact me at any time if you have questions or concerns. Thanks!

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