Hello! ¡Hola! Namaste! My name is Lexi Fedele, and I am thrilled to be your child's 3rd grade teacher! Hawthorne is a wonderful place to be and I am honored to have an exciting year teaching and learning with your child.

I graduated with a degree in Elementary Education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. As an undergraduate at Wisconsin, I spent my time teaching and learning in the Madison Metropolitan

School District.

After I graduated from UW, I moved to Chicago, IL to begin my teaching career. There I taught 5th grade and reading intervention for high school students. After a couple years, I returned to Madison to be closer to my family and continued teaching 4th/5th grade for two more years.

Before joining the Hawthorne team, I worked as a

4th grade teacher and a literacy instructional coach at Colegio Americano in Quito,

Ecuador. I had such a wonderful experience teaching abroad! It's been great to be back in the U.S. and I'm incredibly proud to be a part of this great learning community.

My husband and I welcomed our first child this past spring, Juniper, and we have loved all the new adventures parenthood brings. Some of my favorite things to do when I'm not at school include spending time with my family and friends, traveling and exploring new places, and being outside as much as possible.

At the forefront of my teaching is the belief that learning is most valuable and effective when it is student-centered and student-driven. I find it especially important that my students receive an education that is based not only on their abilities and needs, but also their strengths and interests. I can't wait to learn more about you and your child as we grow together and make many 3rd grade memories.

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Welcome to Team 3!

I'm SO excited that you're going to be a part of our classroom community this year! I hope you had a great summer and that you're ready to laugh, work hard, have fun, and learn with me.

What have you been up to this summer? What do you like to do? Here are some of my very favorite thing...



My Family

Here's a picture of me with my sister, Francesca, and my brother, Nick camping in Grand Teton National Park.

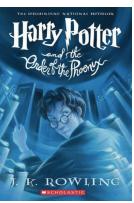
And this is a photo of me, my husband, Bridger, and our daughter, Juniper!





Rock Climbing

I spent a lot of time rock climbing this past year. Here I am with Bridger after climbing up part of El Capitan in Yosemite National Park.



Reading

Harry Potter is one of my favorite book series!



Traveling (and learning about new places and people)
I took this picture of Cotopaxi Volcano while exploring Ecuador.

What's on your list of favorite things? I can't wait to get to know you and to find out! We're going to have an awesome year together.

See you soon! Love, Ms. Fedele