

Dear Parents,

Tonight's homework is a bit different than the homework assignments your child has completed so far this year. Tonight's homework is called a <u>flipped</u> assignment. This means that your child will watch a brief video of a lesson that has not yet been taught in school. He or she will then complete a quick assessment to show me what he or she learned and then the "homework" will be completed in school tomorrow. This flipped classroom approach is being used by many teachers in third and fourth grades at Point Road school and we don't want to miss out on it in first grade! The philosophy behind flipped classroom is that it will help teachers further differentiate their instruction and provide support for students during the independent practice portion of a lesson. With all of that said, please help your child complete the following steps for homework tonight:

- 1. Go to my Weebly (from the Point Road website).
- 2. Click on "Flipped Classroom."

- 3. Click on the "Doubles Facts" button.
- 4. Hit "play." Use pointroad_teacher as the username and point as the password.
- 5. Watch the video.
- 6. Answer the two questions on the sheet I sent home.

I think you will find that accessing the video is quite simple and the whole process should take no more than 15 minutes. If for some reason, you have difficulty please jot me a quick note and I will arrange for your child to watch the video at some point during the day on Friday.

Lastly, it is very important that your child complete the written questions <u>INDEPENDENTLY</u>. If you assist your child, I will not know what he or she can do on his or her own and this will interfere with the group that your child is placed in tomorrow.

Thank you for your patience as we attempt to FLIP first grade!

With much appreciation, Laura DiPietro