Dear Family,

I would like you to do something with your child that involves subtraction. For example, you might have three orange slices. Your child eats one orange slice, so there are two orange slices left. Then I would like you to help your child draw a picture and write a number sentence to show what happened. For example, your child could draw a picture of 3 orange slices, cross 1 slice out, and write the number sentence $3 - 1 = 2$. Please start with no more than ten objects when you are doing this activity.

In class we will organize the subtraction number sentences into fact families and write the addition sentences to go with each fact family. In the above example, $3 - 2 = 1$ is the related fact for $3 - 1 = 2$. The addition sentences that are part of this fact family are $2 + 1 = 3$ and $1 + 2 = 3$.

Your child needs to bring this to school by ________________.

(date)

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,