Dear Family:

Your child is learning math in an innovative program that interweaves abstract mathematical concepts with the everyday experiences of children. This helps children understand math better.

In this program, your child will learn math and have fun by

• working with objects and making drawings of math situations.
• working with other students and sharing problem-solving strategies with them.
• writing and solving problems and connecting math to daily life.
• helping classmates learn.

Your child will have homework almost every day. He or she needs a Homework Helper. The helper may be anyone—you, an older brother or sister (or other family member), a neighbor, or a friend. Make a specific time for homework and provide your child with a quiet place to work (for example, no TV). Encourage your child to talk about what is happening in math class. If your child is having problems with math, please talk to the teacher to see how you might help.

Thank you. You are vital to your child’s learning.

Sincerely,
Your child’s teacher

Please fill out the following information and return this form to the teacher.

My child ___________________ will have ___________________
(child’s name) (Homework Helper’s name)

as his or her Homework Helper. This person is my

child’s ___________________.
(relationship to child)