Dear Family,

Your child is learning math in a new program called *Math Expressions* which links mathematical ideas to a child’s everyday experiences. 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.
- listening to and working with other children and sharing ways to solve problems.
- 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—a family member, an older brother or sister, a neighbor, or a friend. Set aside a definite time for homework and provide your child with a quiet place to work where there is no TV or radio. Encourage your child to talk about what is happening in math class. If your child is having problems with math, please talk to me to see how you might help.

Please cut out, fill out, and return the bottom part of this letter.

Thank you. You are very important to your child’s learning.

Sincerely,

Your child’s teacher

My child ________________________________ will have
(child’s name)

______________________________
(name of homework helper)

This person is my child’s _____________________________.
(relationship to child)

Signature of parent or guardian