



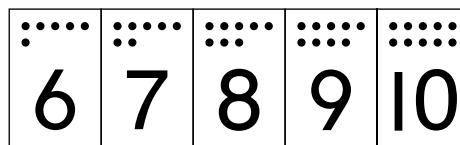
Dear Family:

Children are learning to see numbers 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 as having a 5 and some more. This is called using a 5-group. This visual pattern will help children add, subtract, and understand numbers. It will also help later in multidigit calculation.

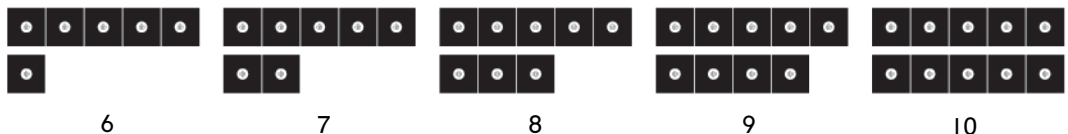
Count things at home in 5-groups to help your child see the 5 in 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. For example, 7 buttons can be counted using 5-groups: "5 and 2 make 7."

Children will see 5-groups in materials they are using in school:

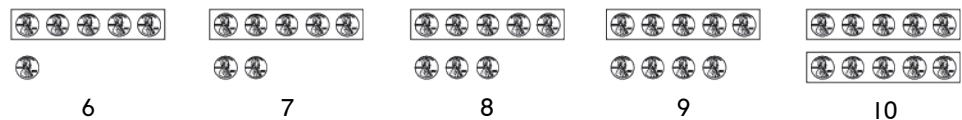
#### Number Parade



#### Square-Inch Tiles



#### Pennies and Nickel Strips



Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Your child's teacher

Please send  
20 pennies to  
school with your  
child. Pennies will  
be used with  
Nickel Strips to  
show numbers.