Dear Family,

My class is starting Unit 2, **Shapes and Patterns**. I will be learning how to identify and describe plane shapes. I will also be working with patterns. You can help me learn these vocabulary words, and we can do the Math Activity together.

From,

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**Vocabulary**

**plane shapes** Flat figures

- circle
- square
- triangle
- rectangle

**pattern** Objects or numbers that repeat or grow according to a rule

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A B A B A B
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A B C A B C
● ● ● ● ● ●
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**Family Math Activity**

- Help your child find, describe, and identify plane shapes in your home or neighborhood.
- Let your child make and describe patterns with coins or buttons. (Penny, dime is an AB pattern.)

**Literature**

These books link to the math in this unit. We can look for them at the library.

- **Circle Dogs**
  by Kevin Henkes
  Illustrated by Dan Yaccarino
  (Greenwillow Books, 1998)

- **Bear in a Square**
  by Stella Blackstone
  Illustrated by Debbie Harter

- **Pattern Fish**
  by Trudy Harris
  Illustrated by Anne Canevari Green

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