Dear Family,

In math class we are starting a unit about addition and subtraction facts through 12. We will learn different strategies to help us find sums and differences.

As we learn addition and subtraction facts through 12, you may wish to use the following as a guide.

During this unit, children might want to practice making up simple addition and subtraction problems.

Sincerely,

Your Child’s Teacher

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**Vocabulary**

- **related facts**  Addition and subtraction facts that have the same numbers.
  
  \[ 7 + 3 = 10 \quad 10 - 3 = 7 \]

- **fact family**  Related addition and subtraction facts.
  
  \[ 4 + 5 = 9 \quad 9 - 5 = 4 \]
  \[ 5 + 4 = 9 \quad 9 - 4 = 5 \]

- **parts and whole**  A way to think about adding and subtracting.

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**Parts and Wholes**

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\[ 3 + 7 = 10 \]
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When you know the parts, you add to find the whole.

When you know the whole and one of the parts, you subtract to find the other part.

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Check out *Education Place* at [eduplace.com/maf](http://eduplace.com/maf) for the Math Lingo game, e-Glossary, and more games and activities to do together.