Dear Family,

We are starting a new unit called Addition and Subtraction. In Chapter 13, we will add two groups to find a sum. In Chapter 14, we will subtract a small group from a larger group to find what is left. We will also learn how addition and subtraction are related.

Love, ______________________

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**Vocabulary**

**add**
Putting groups together to find the total or the sum.

6 ducks in all

**subtract**
Taking away to find the difference.

3 ducks are left

**addition sentence**
An equation such as

3 + 2 = 5

plus sign equals sign sum

**subtraction sentence**
An equation such as

7 − 1 = 6

minus sign equals sign difference

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**Vocabulary Activities**

- Help your child recognize addition and subtraction situations. (5 people and 1 joins them; 6 in all. Have 5 crackers. Eat 2; 3 crackers are left.)

- Encourage your child to tell addition and subtraction stories, using objects such as pennies or dry beans. Have your child say the number sentence.

**Technology**

Visit Education Place at eduplace.com/parents/mw/ for the Math Lingo Game, eGlossary, and more.

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**Literature to Read Together**

- **Splash!**
  by Ann Jonas
  (Mulberry Books, 1997)

- **More Bugs? Less Bugs?**
  by Don L. Curry
  (Capstone, 2000)

- **Catch That Goat!**
  by Polly Alakija
  (Barefoot Books, 2002)