**What We’re Learning**

During the next few weeks, our math class will be learning and practicing addition facts through 20.

You can expect to see work that provides practice with addition and subtraction facts.

As we learn about counting on, counting back, and fact families, you may wish to keep the following samples as a guide.

**Vocabulary**

- **addend** One of the numbers added in an addition problem.
- **count back** In subtraction, begin with the greater number and count backward.
- **count on** In addition, begin with the greater number and count forward.
- **difference** The answer to a subtraction problem.
- **double fact** A fact where both addends are the same.
- **related facts** Addition and subtraction facts that use the same numbers.
- **sum** The answer to an addition problem.

**Guiding Your Child**

**Counting on**

\[3 + 8\]

Think: \[8, 9, 10, 11\]

**Counting back**

\[12 - 3\]

Think: \[12, 11, 10, 9\]

**Fact Family**

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\begin{array}{c c c c}
4 & + & 2 & = 6 \\
+ & 4 & & 6 \\
- & 2 & & 4 \\
\end{array}
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All the facts use the same numbers.

Knowing addition facts can help children learn the related subtraction facts.

Sincerely,

Your child’s teacher