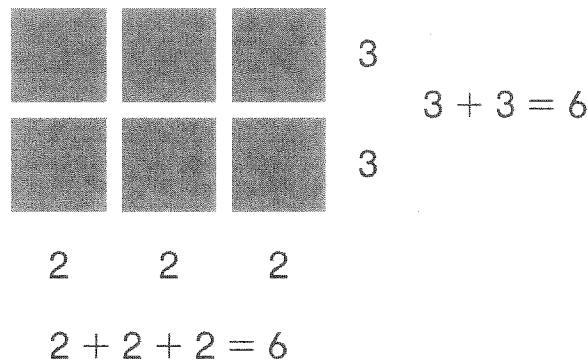


Dear Family:

In this unit, your child will learn about rectangular arrays and how to use addition to count the number of objects in an array. The array below has 2 rows and 3 columns. It can be described as 2 rows with 3 tiles in each row or 3 columns with 2 tiles in each column.



You can help your child by working with him or her to practice using the words *array*, *rows*, and *columns*. For example, ask your child to use pennies or other small objects to make an array that has 4 rows with 5 objects in each row. Ask your child to write the addition equations that show the total number of objects in the array. ($5 + 5 + 5 + 5 = 20$ and $4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 20$)

Your child will also be learning about equal parts of circles and rectangles: *2 halves*, *3 thirds*, and *4 fourths*. You can practice using this vocabulary at home. For example, "I am cutting this pizza into 4 fourths."

Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Your child's teacher



Unit 7 includes the Common Core Standards for Mathematical Content for Operations and Algebraic Thinking 2.OA.1, 2.OA.3, 2.OA.4, Geometry 2.G.1, 2.G.2, 2.G.3, Measurement and Data 2.MD.5, 2.MD.6, and all Mathematical Practices.