Dear Families:

Today, we played a fun game called “Jump in the River.” This game starts with addition facts 1-12 and then adds subtraction facts 1-12. It can also be played with an element of probability.

Jump in the River can be played a variety of ways to allow each child to work on the skills that he or she can tackle without getting frustrated. Some children may only be able to count with one-to-one correspondence. Others might be able to add the numbers on two dice together to practice addition. Still others might be subtracting the numbers on two dice to practice subtraction.

Ask me for a copy of the rules to Jump in the River⎯and play this game at home to reinforce your child’s basic mathematical skills.

Playing math games at home is a wonderful way to promote mathematical communication, demonstrate your interest what is happening at your child’s school and show that you have a positive attitude about math.

It’s time to get your game on!