Dear Families:

Currently, your child is learning all about counting, number recognition and one-to-one correspondence. Following are a few fun activities that you can try at home to help your child master these math skills.

* Point out and name the numbers on street signs, houses and buildings while you are out and about. Find numbers around the house on appliances, cell phones, clocks and computers.
* Give your child a calculator (or the calculator on your cell phone) and let your child play with the numbers. Ask: “Can you find the number that shows how old you are? Can you find the number that shows how old I am? Can you type the numbers 0-10 in order?” This learning tool works well⎯and provides a welcome distraction⎯when you are waiting in line or in the car.
* Purchase a package or two of magnetic numbers. Allow your child to match up pairs of the same number and put the numbers in order. Have your child work on a cookie sheet to keep the magnets organized and in one place.

Have fun and happy counting!