Dear Families:

Today, we made caterpillars out of colorful pompoms and then broke the caterpillars’ bodies into fractional parts.

We have been learning about fractions and talking about groups as part of a whole. We use fractions all the time in our daily lives (sometimes without even realizing it) when we divide up a workload, plan and cook a meal or cut a cake into equal shares. When we look a clock, we are also using fractions to determine whether the time is half past the hour, a quarter past the hour, and so on.

At home, ask your child to help out in the kitchen to reinforce the concept of fractions. Measuring ingredients, dividing quantities in half and cutting cakes or casseroles into equal shares are all fun activities that will help your child develop a solid mathematical foundation.

Have fun with your fractions!