## **Kindergarten Mathematics Newsletter**

Marking Period 1

MT	Concepts by Measurement Topic (MT)  Students will		
Counting and Cardinality	<ul> <li>count a group of objects.</li> <li>count one more/one less when given a set of objects to identify.</li> <li>compare quantities (amounts): use the words more/greater, less/fewer or equal to/same as.</li> <li>represent numbers in different ways: numeral form (written e.g., 5), pictures, objects.</li> <li>subitize: quickly recognize small groups of objects without having to count (e.g., dice, dominoes).</li> </ul>		
Measurement and Data	<ul> <li>sort and classify objects: make and name groups of objects that are the same.</li> <li>survey classmates: organize and record responses to a yes/no question.</li> <li>compare length of two objects: use the words longer and shorter.</li> </ul>		
Geometry	describe the position of objects: use words such as above, below, beside, in front of, behind, next to.		

Thinking and Academic Success Skills (TASS)					
	<u>It is</u>	In mathematics, students will			
Analysis	breaking down a whole into parts and looking at the parts so that the whole is understood.	<ul> <li>explain how objects are counted.</li> <li>explain the results of a survey.</li> <li>explain how objects are sorted.</li> <li>compare length using the words longer and shorter.</li> <li>answer questions like "How do you know?".</li> <li>describe similarities and differences of shapes and quantities (amounts).</li> </ul>			
Collaboration	working effectively and respectfully to reach a group goal.	<ul> <li>work together in small groups.</li> <li>share math materials.</li> <li>listen to the ideas of others.</li> <li>use kind words.</li> <li>participate in group discussions.</li> </ul>			

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Learning Experiences by Measurement Topic (MT)				
MT	In school, your child will	At home, your child can		
Counting and Cardinality	<ul> <li>count and identify the numbers on a calendar.</li> <li>write numerals and draw pictures to show amounts.</li> <li>count objects in a counting jar.</li> <li>share counting strategies (how objects are counted) with peers.</li> <li>quickly recognize how many dots are on dice.</li> <li>count two groups of objects and compare the amounts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>count objects (e.g., toys, socks, snacks).</li> <li>count movements (e.g., hops, jumps, steps, claps).</li> <li>draw a picture and count the things in your drawing (e.g., people in your family).</li> <li>play games that involve counting (e.g., Hide and Seek, board games).</li> <li>find numerals in your house, at the grocery store or the library, etc.</li> <li>go on a counting hunt (e.g., count how many trees you see).</li> </ul>		
Measurement and Data	<ul> <li>sort and classify buttons by one attribute (e.g., size, shape).</li> <li>create and respond to survey questions.</li> <li>compare the length of objects.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>sort household objects by shape, size, color (e.g., shoes, clothes, toys).</li> <li>ask a yes/no question of others and record the answers.</li> <li>use the words longer and shorter to compare objects (e.g., shoes, pencils).</li> </ul>		
Geometry	<ul> <li>use positional words to describe location.</li> <li>describe and identify shapes.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>play "I Spy" (e.g., An adult says: "I Spy something in front of the chair.").</li> <li>reverse roles when playing "I Spy" (e.g., The child says: "I spy something under the table.").</li> <li>describe where an item is located using above, below, beside, in front of, behind, and next to, instead of pointing.</li> <li>find shapes around your home.</li> </ul>		