

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you know, this year we will be reviewing addition and subtraction. We will also be continuing our work with multiplication and division. We follow our Everyday Math series which teaches several different algorithms or methods to solve each type of problem. Once the students have tried each method, we ask them to solve problems using the method that works best for their learning style. We do this because we know that children learn in different ways and we want them all to be successful.

We realize that this way of teaching is very different from the way we were all taught in school. Attached are several parent sheets on algorithms for your reference. **Please keep this reference in a handy place for the year!**

Your child should also be able to show you how they work. Studies show that one of the best ways to learn a skill is to teach someone else. Feel free to ask your child to teach you about these methods as we work on them this year.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this.

Mathematically,
Mrs. Pierce

