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MAKES YOUR
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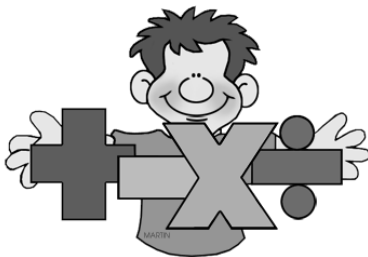
November/December 2018 – Math is no mystery!

Welcome to this issue of the **Bloomfield Title 1 News!** This newsletter is a means for us to share general information with you about what the children are learning in reading, writing, and/or math. It will also provide information about ways you can help your child at home. Together, we will help your child achieve academic success! Our focus for this issue is **Math is no mystery!**

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Math is No Mystery

Is that 16 oz. can of tomatoes a better bargain than the 12 oz. can? You make dozens of calculations in your daily life, from balancing a checkbook to figuring out how long it will take to drive to a cross-town soccer game. That's math at work. Math is no mystery – it's a tool we use every day!



Be Positive About Math

Express confidence in your child's ability to do math. If math was difficult for you, don't share that with your child. Remember, everyone can and does use math all the time – even you!

Make Math a Game

Math games are fun and inexpensive. They are a wonderful way to get your kids to enjoy working with numbers, as well as improve their number skills. Here are a few suggestions:

- Go Fish teaches counting and grouping in sets.
- Games that use play money teach how to make change.
- Board games that use dice teach addition and counting.
- Beans, stones, or marbles can be used to play number games.
- Play store with the items in your cupboard.

Show Your Kids Math at Work

Think out loud when you are making calculations. This will get your kids used to math. Let them work out some real-life puzzles themselves. For example, let them measure when you bake, ask them to figure out how long a hose you need to reach the garden, have younger children sort silverware by knives, forks and spoons or sort playing cards by suit or numbers. There are all kinds of ways to show your children math at work in their world!