

Dear Parent,

My name is Chuck Sabatose. Next school year, I will be your child's math teacher. To help your child succeed, it is very important that he or she knows the multiplication facts very well. In the first nine weeks, I will give a graded multiplication facts quiz daily. A fun way to practice the facts is to use a deck of playing cards to play multiplication war. The jack has a value of 11. The queen and king have a value of 12. The ace has a value of 1. All of the other cards have the value it shows. Each player gets half of the deck. At the same time, both players flip over one card. The first player to say what the two cards equal when multiplied together keeps both cards. It is also important that he or she knows the proper steps to solve large multiplication and division problems. A great web site that can help is [www.aaamath.com](http://www.aaamath.com). We will be covering a lot of material in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. If your child can perform well at the basic facts, all the rest will be much easier.

Thank you,

Chuck Sabatose