



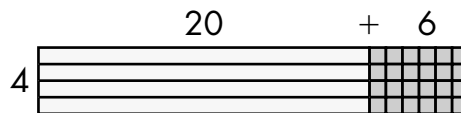
Dear Family,

Your child will be learning about geometry throughout the school year. This first unit is about a group of geometric figures called quadrilaterals, which get their name because they have four (*quad-*) sides (*-lateral*). Four different kinds of quadrilaterals are shown here.

In this unit, your child will also learn the difference between perimeter and area. Area drawings help children to understand multi-digit multiplication.

For example:

$$4 \times 26 = 104$$

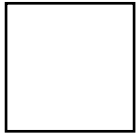


$$80 + 24 = 104$$

We urge you to encourage regular home practice of the basic multiplications and divisions. We will return to more of them in about a week. Later in the year, we will be learning about both multi-digit multiplication and multi-digit division.

If you have any questions or comments, please call or write to me.

Sincerely,
Your child's teacher



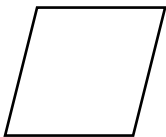
Square

4 equal sides
opposite sides parallel
right angles



Rectangle

2 pairs of parallel sides
right angles



Rhombus

4 equal sides
opposite sides parallel



Parallelogram

2 pairs of parallel sides