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Dear Parents & Guardians,

In an effort to have our grade 6 students master and maintain their multiplication facts, I am looking to have them practice, practice, practice! In addition to practicing in class and completing written practice packets, I would like to recommend another option. There are a number of online sites that offer great math games. Four that are highly recommended:

- www.mathplayground.com (definitely my favorite!)
- <http://www.aplusmath.com/Flashcards/multiplication.html>
- <http://www.aplusmath.com/Games/index.html>
- www.funbrain.com (math baseball for fact practice)

Each of these sites allows for different levels, and has the students practicing specific computation skills. Some games are timed and others are not. Of course, they are also welcome to play with other fun math games once they are finished practicing their facts!!

Please encourage your child practice at least 10 minutes per night (if internet access is not possible, we can send home a set of flashcards).

Our textbook can be accessed on the internet. Beyond the online version of the text, there are also self-check quizzes, practice chapter tests, personal tutors, and many other helpful features. The students can go directly to the Glencoe site:

msmath2.net (for Course 2, blue book) access code: A91139B715
msmath3.net (for Course 3, green book) access code: E7E46B0370

They can also get to the site through BowNET (grade 6 math to “Textbook Help”).

The math textbook CDs (“Student Works”) are ready to be sent home and the students are very excited to have the text on disk so that they no longer need to carry textbooks home! Students without computers at home are welcome to use the disk at school during study.

Please sign below if you would like your child to receive a copy of the Student Works CD and return the bottom of this form as soon as possible. Please understand that if the disk is lost or damaged through misuse, there will be a \$10 replacement cost. Disks that are damaged due to normal wear and tear will not be subject to the replacement fee.

Please feel free to contact me with questions (or to give permission via email) at spribis@bownet.org. We’re very excited about our math program and its incredible technology!

Sue Pribis

I give permission for my child, _____, to sign out a Glencoe Student Works CD and acknowledge the \$10 replacement fee for lost or misused disks.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Email address (if you would like to be added to my email list): _____