"The early years are not preparation for life; they are life itself." ~ John Dewey *The Kindergarten News *

for the week of 10 / 14 / 24 $\,$

- **Theme** Transportation
- Introduce Sight Words: me, is, he, & run / Qq & Rr
- Expressive Vocabulary skeptical having or showing doubt or disbelief
 - temporary lasting or used for a short time only
- Bits of Intelligence DaVinci & Van Gogh
- Manners "Listen when people are talking" / "Replace what you have used."
- **Fable** The Boy Who Cried, Wolf

Language Arts

This week, we will focus on the letters Q and R! We'll practice writing both uppercase and lowercase versions and recognizing them in words. Encourage your child to point out any words they see at home or around town that begin with these letters! Our word family this week is "EN." We will practice reading and writing words like *pen, ten, hen,* and *men.* You can support your child at home by reading simple "EN" family books or pointing out words with this sound.

Math / Science

We are continuing our unit on transportation! This week, we'll focus on kid-powered transportation such as bicycles, skateboards, scooters, and walking. The students will learn how these types of transportation are fun and eco-friendly. In connection with our transportation theme, we'll look at maps to understand how people get from one place to another. We'll discuss roads, paths, and even bike routes. It's a great opportunity for the children to understand how maps help people travel. Our exploration of the United States continues! This week, we'll learn more about different regions of the country, focusing on the diversity of transportation across the states. We'll also discuss how people travel from state to state. In Math, we'll continue the concept of tally marks and prepare to graph the information we collect in class. The children will practice counting, grouping, and making tally marks to represent data, an important foundation for future understanding of graphs.

Student of the Week

Vanessa O. – October 14th

Important Dates

October 14th – Teacher Institute Day/school closed. October 15th – Fall Fest 5:00 – 6:00 pm. October 31st. – Halloween Party November 6th & 7th- Fall Pictures – Wednesday last name A-L & Thursday last name M-Z

Just a reminder – Kindergarten class begins at 9:00 a.m. promptly. If your child arrives after 9:00, they will miss an important part of our kindergarten review and introductions. With that in mind, please have your child here by 9:00.

Thank you.