Peek at the Week
October 14-22

Reminders:
- <u>There is NO SCHOOL all next week (October 14-18)</u> for preschool students. Elementary students (K-5) will have school Monday-Wednesday, so please do not put your child on the bus when it comes those days.
  - The final day of conferences is next Monday, October 14. Please sign up for a time if you had not already done so - it is important that I have the chance to connect with you about your child's experience in preschool thus far.
- <u>New homework comes home today</u> - have fun playing 'Alphabet Soup' with your child over the extended break from school.
- As cold and flu season quickly approaches, our classroom would greatly appreciate donations of tissues/Kleenex. Please do not feel like you need to send any to school, but if you have a box or two to spare, our noses will be very grateful!

This week we are…
- Going to be at home for 9 days (two 'home days', then five no school days, followed by two more 'home days')
- Take advantage of the extra time at home with your child by doing some fun activities together over the course of the week off.
- When we come back to school on Monday, October 21, we will:
  - Continue learning about colors and color mixing. Children will have a chance for hands-on exploration of color mixing in the discovery center.
  - Visit the school library for the first time to check out a book on Thursday, October 24 - we can't wait!

Try it at Home:
- Play 'Alphabet Soup' together with your child - it's a fun way to get him/her excited about letters.
- <u>FACT</u>: Before children read, they learn to recognize words they see everyday (environmental print).
  - Encourage this exciting first step by pointing out words on signs and labels.
- <u>FACT</u>: Children who think and say positive things about themselves are more likely to keep trying when things get hard.
  - Encourage positive self-talk - If your child gets stuck, have them repeat after you as you say, "That's okay! I'll keep trying!"