

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week, our classroom is taking a big step in fine motor development: **we are learning to use scissors!** Mastering scissors is a major milestone for young learners. It helps build the hand strength, hand-eye coordination, and bilateral integration (using both sides of the body at once) necessary for writing and other daily tasks.

A Heads-Up for Home

As children gain confidence, their curiosity often grows too! It is very common for children to want to test their new skills on things other than paper.

While we emphasize that scissors are "only for paper and playdough," please be aware of the following:

- **The "DIY" Haircut:** It is a classic rite of passage for a child to wonder, *"What happens if I snip this lock of hair?"* We recommend keeping household scissors in a secure spot out of reach for the next few weeks.
- **Fabric and Furniture:** Curtains, clothes, and even leaves on houseplants can suddenly look very tempting to a budding "snipper."