

Learning to count is not always as important as learning what counts.

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The Kindergarten News

for the week of 10/5/20

- **Theme**-Transportation
- **Expressive Vocabulary**- obsolete: no longer in use or practice
persevere: to persist, to continue with determination
- **Introduce**- Sight Words- jump, play, smile, happy, sing /Oo and Pp
- **Bits of Intelligence**- Composers
- **Fable**- The Swan and the Crow

Language Arts

As we move forward on our journey through the alphabet, this week we will concentrate on the letters Oo and Pp. We will be sure to discuss that Oo is part of the vowel family which have both short and long sounds. The students will learn that the way to distinguish the difference between long and short vowels is that long vowels always say their names. The boys and girls will also begin a new unit on transportation. We will learn that transportation is a way of moving people and things from one place to another. We will discover the many ways in which we can travel- by land, air, or water. The mode of transportation depends on the distance that needs to be traveled! Please have your child practice saying his or her address (this includes zip code) at home, as I will begin testing them on this over the next few weeks.

Math/Science

We will continue to count by tens to one hundred each day. Our Bank game will now feature numerals from 1-100. The Kindergarten State Bank is an activity that is done each morning as part of our regular review and has become a favorite among the students. Each day, a different child is assigned to be the banker and must select the correct unit blocks to match a specific numeral. This fun game helps us learn numeral recognition and place value without even knowing it! Our work with addition will continue as well, this week we will primarily concentrate on equations with sums of 5. Lastly, we will do work with patterns as we learn to identify AB, ABB, and AABB patterns.

Important Dates

October 9.....Art Day/Frankie Frankenstein craft

October 12.....**school closed** for Teacher Institute Day

Brr! Fall can bring chilly weather. As long as the real feel temperature is 20 degrees or above, the students will continue to go outside each morning and afternoon. Please make sure your child has the appropriate outerwear. If necessary, please also update the extra set of clothing that your child keeps in his or her cubby to reflect the change in season and our weather. Thank you!

