

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

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- **Theme** — Transportation
- **Introduce** — Sight Words: and, it, can, & we / Oo & Pp
- **Expressive Vocabulary** — obsolete — no longer in use or practice  
persevere — to persist, to continue with determination
- **Bits of Intelligence** — Composers
- **Manners** – “Take Turns” / “Show good sportsmanship.”
- **Proverb** – Better safe than sorry

### Language Arts

As we progress on our journey through the alphabet, this week finds us concentrating on the letters Oo and Pp. We will be sure to discuss that Oo is part of the vowel family, which has 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 how we can travel — by land, air, or water. The mode of transportation needed depends on the distance that needs to be traveled! If you are not already doing so, please have your child practice saying their address (this includes state and zip code) 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 work on addition problems will also continue; this week, we will primarily focus on equations with sums no greater than 10. We will also discuss attributes and how they are characteristics we can use to sort different items. In our transportation discussions, we will also look at maps. We will learn about what a map is and what it is used for.

### Student of the Week

Olivia Gilbert – October 11th

### Important Dates

October 10<sup>th</sup> - Teacher Institute Day/school closed

The kindergarten students will celebrate Halloween with a class party on Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

A sign-up sheet will be available for those interested in donating the tableware or snack.