

Fall Party Ideas

Games

Spoon Race: Object of this game is to run from one end of the room to the other without dropping candy. Place candy on a spoon and walk fast to a finish line. May wish to drop candy into a bowl, if this is done have someone standing at beginning of line to give each child a piece of candy.

Pumpkins Halves: Object of this game is to find the other half of a pumpkin. Make pumpkins out of paper and cut them in half in different ways. Hand out one half to each child and have the children try to find the child that has the other half of their pumpkin.

Pumpkin Hut: Just like an Easter egg hunt. Hide paper cut outs of pumpkins and have the children search for them. Add an incentive like pumpkins with stickers on them get a piece of candy. (Prize is optional)

Pin the Face on the Pumpkin: Just like pin the tail on the donkey. Make a large pumpkin face to put on the wall and have the children place a pumpkin nose as close as they can to the spot where it should be while blindfolded. Also could be Pin the Face on the Ghost.

Teacher Mummy (or Parent Mummy): Object is to wrap teacher in toilet paper the fastest. You will need 1 teacher and 1 parent for this game so you can have two teams. Line the teams up with a teacher/parent and when you yell go a child goes and warps the teacher/parent for 15 seconds after 15 seconds are up next child goes and so on. The team that runs out of toilet paper first is the winner. You will need at least 5 rolls of toilet paper per team.

Toss the Candy in the Pumpkins Mouth: Object is to get the "candy" in the mouth of a cut out pumpkin. Using one board of a corn toss game put a cut out of a pumpkin with the mouth of the pumpkin over the hole of the board. Use the bean bags from the game as "candy" to toss into the pumpkins mouth. The one with the most pieces of candy in the pumpkins mouth wins.

Halloween Corners Game: Stick up large Halloween themed pictures (ie, witch, bat, ghost, and black cat) in the four corners of a room. Play some music and when it stops, each child runs to a corner (if you have small numbers you can limit the number of children in each) The music operator without looking then calls out one corner or pulls a piece of paper from a hat and the image on the paper identifies which corner is out of the game. Continue play until there is one person left and they win a prize.

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Crafts

Lollypop Ghost: Items needed- Tootsie Roll Pops, Kleenex, tape and black marker. Wrap top of Tootsie Roll Pop with Kleenex, then wrap tape around lollypop stick just under lollypop and then add eyes with the black marker

Painting Pumpkins: Items needed- small pumpkins, water base paint, and paint brushes. Give each child a pumpkin, some paint and a paint brush and have them paint their pumpkins.

Pumpkin Stain glass cut outs. Items needed- pumpkin shapes cut out of orange paper, yellow tissue paper and glue. Give each child two pumpkin cut outs and have them cut a face out on one of them. When that is done have them glue on the back a piece of yellow tissue paper over the cut out part and then place and glue the other half of the pumpkin on.

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Winter Party

Games

Spoon Race: Object of this game is to run from one end of the room to the other without dropping the cotton ball. Place cotton ball on a spoon and walk fast to a finish line. May wish to drop cotton ball into a bowl, if this is done have someone standing at beginning of line to give each child a cotton ball.

Toss the Snowball in the Snowman's Mouth: Object is to get the "snowball" in the mouth of a cut out snowman. Using one board of a corn toss game put a cut out of a snowman with the mouth of the snowman over the hole of the board. Use the bean bags from the game as a "snowball" to toss into the snowman's mouth. The one with the most snowballs in the mouth of the snowman wins.

Pin the Hat on the Snowman: Just like pin the tail on the donkey. Make a large snowman to put on the wall and have the children place a hat as close as they can to the spot where it should be while blindfolded.

Penguin Shuffle: Items needed- beanbag or hacky sack. Have the children stand side by side with their "eggs" (bean bag or hacky sack) on top of their feet. Players try to shuffle across the room without dropping their "eggs" The first one to succeed wins.

Snowman Relay: Items needed- 2 sets of boots, 2 sets of gloves, 2 scarves, and 2 hat and cotton balls. Make two teams and divide each team in half. Have half of the teams stand at one end of the room and the other half at the other end. Place the boots, gloves, scarves, and hats at one end and place the cotton balls at the other. On "go" on child from each team must roll a cotton ball down the floor toward the boots, gloves, ECT. When they reach them the child must put the boots, gloves, ECT on and run back to where they started and take off the items. The child that has the cotton ball must then do the same as the first child and so on until all on the team have completed the relay.

Teacher Snowman (or Parent Snowman): Object is to wrap teacher in toilet paper the fastest. You will need 1 teacher and 1 parent for this game so you can have two teams. Line the teams up with a teacher/parent and when you yell go a child goes and warps the teacher/parent for 15 seconds after 15 seconds are up next child goes and so on. The team that runs out of toilet paper first is the winner. You will need at least 5 rolls of toilet paper per team.

Holiday Corners Game: Stick up large Holiday themed pictures (ie, snowflake, snowman, sled, and a pair of boots) in the four corners of a room. Play some music and when it stops, each child runs to a corner (if you have small numbers you can limit the number of children in each) The music operator without looking then calls out one corner or pulls a piece of paper from a hat and the image on the paper identifies which corner is out of the game. Continue play until there is one person left and they win a prize.

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Crafts

Wagon Wheel Snowflakes—items needed—wagon wheel macaroni, blue construction paper, white spray paint, and glue.

Before the party spray paint the macaroni white and let dry. The day of the party have the children glue them onto the construction paper in a shape of a snowflake.

Snowman—items needed—snowman shape cut out of white paper, crayons or makers, assortment of colored construction paper. Have the kids design their own snowman by drawing on the cut out and have them make a hat for their snowman with the construction paper color of their choice.

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Valentine's Party

Steal My Heart Game: Items needed—bowl of candy hearts and chopsticks.

How to play—to set up, place a bowl of candy hearts on a flat surface within easy reach of the players and hand each person a pair of chopsticks. Set a time for about a minute or two. At “Go” contestants start removing hearts from the bowl using only their chopsticks, placing the candies in front of them. When time is up, the player with the most hearts wins.

Valentine's Corners Game: Stick up large Valentine's themed pictures (i.e., heart, cupid, rose, box of chocolates) in the four corners of a room. Play some music and when it stops, each child runs to a corner (if you have small numbers you can limit the number of children in each) The music operator without looking then calls out one corner or pulls a piece of paper from a hat and the image on the paper identifies which corner is out of the game. Continue play until there is one person left and they win a prize. (Prize is optional)

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You Have Half of My Heart: Object of this game is to find the other half of the heart. Make hearts out of paper and cut them in half in different ways. Hand out one half to each child and have the children try to find the child that has the other half of their heart.

Heart Hut: Just like an Easter egg hunt. Hide paper cut outs of hearts and have the children search for them. Add an incentive like hearts with stickers on them get a piece of candy. (Prize is optional)

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Crafts

Make a Valentine's Card: Items needed-- construction paper, glue, crayons, markers, stickers. Have the children make a card for a special someone and have them decorated the card as they wish.

Decorate the heart: Items needed—construction paper, glue, crayons, markers, stickers, anything to decorate a heart. Give the children paper cut outs of hearts and have them decorate the heart as they wish.

Tissue Heart Picture: Items needed— purple, pink, red, tissue paper, glue, paint brush and construction paper. Cut out different sizes of hearts out of the three colors of tissue paper before the party. In small cups put one part glue and one part water. Using the paint brushes have the children put some glue on the construction paper then place the hearts onto the paper in a pattern of their choosing. After the hearts are on the paper go over the hearts with more of the glue mixture. Let Dry.

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Last Day of School

For the last day of school the best games to play are the ones that let the kids have fun. You can even plan on having the game outside if you wish. If playing a game outside please see the main office about reserving a spot 2 to 3 weeks prior to the last day.

Ideas for games:

Sack Race, any kind of water balloon game, ring toss, relay race, corn toss, scavenger hunt, hula hoop contest, freeze tag, red light green light, simon says, cake walk.

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