



Fall 2019 Newsletter

A Halloween Pumpkin Author Unknown

I am a pumpkin, big and round
Once upon a time I grew in the ground, but
Now I have a mouth, two eyes and a nose
What are they for, do you suppose?

When I have a candle inside shining bright
I'll be a jack-o-lantern on Halloween night,
Halloween Night!

Fall Around the World

I don't know about you, but I think that fall or autumn is one of the prettiest seasons of the year. All the different colored leaves falling to the ground making a beautiful carpet of color around us. It is almost magical!

Did you know that those beautiful colors are not only found in the United States?

They are all over the world! Japan, France, Austria, Hungary, China, Germany and many others.

What causes these beautiful changes in our trees during the fall? Because of changes in the length of daylight and changes in temperature, the leaves stop their food making process. The chlorophyll breaks down, the green color disappears, and the yellow to orange colors become visible and give the leaves part of their fall splendor.

Here's a small homework assignment that will be tons of fun. Have you parents or a big brother or sister help you research fall in other countries. Print pictures of each country and have your family vote on the prettiest leaves. Then place them in a booklet and share with your friends.

Enjoy your fall!

- Jackie Burner, Bridgewater Branch Manager





Upcoming Family Fun Days

Friday, October 11th - 2pm to 5pm
F&M Bank Bridgewater
Enjoy hot dogs, ice cream, a petting zoo,
Sammy the Squirrel and more!

Friday, October 25th - 2pm to 5pm
F&M Bank Coffman's Corner
Enjoy Tropical Smoothie, face painting, a
pumpkin painting contest and more!



Autumn Humor

Q: How do you fix a cracked pumpkin?

A: A pumpkin patch

Q: What kinds of pants do ghosts wear?

A: Boo jeans

Q: What is a monster's favorite dessert?

A: I scream

Q: How do ghosts wash their hair?

A: With shamboo

Q: What fruit do scarecrows love the most?

A: Straw-berries



Make a Paper Ball Bat

With the help of your parents, make your very own paper ball bat!

Supplies

- Black paper – we used regular black print paper
- Scissors (and/or paper trimmer)
- Glue
- Wiggle eyes or wiggly eye stickers (or white paper and black marker)

Step by Step:

1. Cut paper strips. You will need 4 paper strips per one bat. We cut ours along the width of a regular sheet of paper and they were about a “finger” wide.
2. Glue the two paper strips together, at a right angle (making the cross shape).
3. Glue the other two paper strips on top of the first two. Distribute them evenly (they should look like a snowflake).
4. Next, glue the paper strips together on the top.
5. Continue gluing all strips to top until a ball shape is formed.
6. Draw wings on black paper and cut them out (we folded the paper in half, cutting two wings at the same time).
7. Fold the wings at the end.
8. Apply glue on the fold and stick to the little black paper ball you made.
9. Stick on two googly eyes or wiggle eye stickers.
10. You just made your paper ball bat craft. Now make a few more and decorate your room!



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