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		Fall Hat Month Hispanic Heritage Month Honey Month Blueberry Popsicle Month			1 Cherry Popover Day	2 Bacon Day
3 Learn about the letter P today with homemade pancakes!	4 Labor Day	5 Cheese Pizza Day	6 Read A Book Day!!	7 Teach your child to say "hello" in Spanish and French	8 International Literacy Day	9 Teddy Bear Day
10 Grandparent's Day	11 911 Remembrance Day	12 Chocolate Milk Shake Day	13 Fortune Cookie Day	14 Cream Filled Donut Day	15 Make a Hat Day	16 Collect Rocks Day
17 Apple Dumpling Day	18 Cheeseburger Day	19 Talk Like A Pirate Day	20 Pepperoni Pizza Day	21 Miniature Golf Day	22 Fall Begins 	23 Checkers Day
24 Take a walk outside and see how many different color leaves you can find.	25 Comic Book Day	26 Johnny Appleseed Day	27 Draw a picture and give it to your neighbor.	28 Good Neighbor Day	29 Make a masterpiece with sidewalk chalk. Have your child sign it.	30 Put salt in a pie tin. Let your child practice drawing shapes.

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Apple Prints

The first days of school are an exciting time to reflect on your child's growth and capture a few memories while you're at it. Use your kindergartener's handprint to create a sweet and personalized apple craft. He will practice his cutting skills and color recognition while building anticipation for the first day of school. His little hands will grow, but you can keep this memory forever.

What You Need:

- Construction paper
- Red, green and yellow paint
- Paintbrush
- Scissors

What You Do:

1. Draw an apple shape onto a large piece of white construction paper. Help your child cut it out.
2. What color is an apple? Are they always red, or do they come in different colors? Let your child choose a color to paint his apple. Give him a paintbrush or let him use his hands for an extra sensory experience.
3. Help your child cut out a small rectangle of brown construction paper for the apple stem. Let him glue it to the top of his apple.
4. Help your child trace his hand on a sheet of green paper or make a handprint on white paper with green paint. This will be the leaf at the top of the apple. Help him cut out the handprint and glue it to the side of the stem.

Extend your learning by comparing and contrasting apples. Go to the grocery store and find red, yellow, and green apples. Buy one of each and have an apple tasting at home. Compare and contrast the shape, color, and taste of each apple. Which one does your child like the best? Which does he like the least? Let each family member taste each apple and decide on a favorite. Make a graph of the information. Which apple does your family like the most? What about the least? Graphs are a great way to discuss more versus less with your kindergartener. Who knew math could be so tasty?