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30 National Honesty Day	National Humor Month Keep America Beautiful Month National Poetry Month National Pecan Month					1 April Fool's Day
2 Children's Book Day	Sing "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes," with your child.	4 School Librarian Day	5 Caramel Day	6 Sorry Charlie Day	7 Caramel Popcorn Day	8 Draw a Picture of a Bird Day
9 Name Yourself Day	10 Encourage a Young Writer Day	11 Barbershop Quartet Day	12 Licorice Day	13 Scrabble Day	14 Moment of Laughter Day	Sing the ABC song with your child. Jump up and down when you sing a letter in your name.
16 Easter Sunday	17 Count the number of toes in your family.	Practice drawing yellow circles today. How many yellow circles are	19 Humorous Day	20 Look-a-like Day	21 Kindergarten Day	22 Earth Day & National Jelly Bean Day

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National Pretzel

Day

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Tell a Story Day

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Talk about rhyming

words today. Think

of words that rhyme

with "bat."

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Zipper Day

there?

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World Penguin

Day

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Waddle like a

penguin,

scurry like a squirrel.

Choose another

animal to imitate

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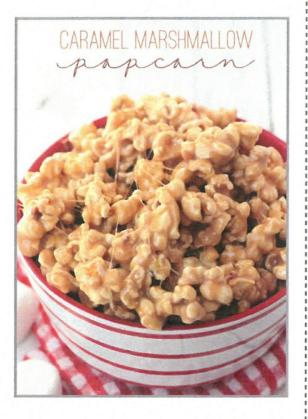
Pig in a Blanket

Day

Caramel Marshmallow Popcorn

Ingredients

- 1 bag popped popcorn (any flavor works)
- ½ cup butter
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 TB light corn syrup
- 20 Large Marshmallows



Instructions

- 1. Pop corn and place in a bowl making sure there are no unpopped kernels there.
- 2. Melt butter in a medium pot on the oven.
- 3. Add brown sugar and corn syrup until well blended.
- 4. Add marshmallows and stir continuously on low heat until all melted.
- 5. Pour mixture over popcorn and mix well.
- 6. Spread popcorn on parchment paper or put in greased baking sheet and cut into squares.

Recipe by Lil' Luna at https://lilluna.com/caramel-marshmallow-popcorn/

As kids learn new words and what they mean, silly kid jokes can become a tool to help them learn further.

Enjoy these jokes with your kids during National Humor Month!

Q: How do all the oceans say hello to each other?

A: They wave!

Q: What did one wall say to the other wall?

A: I'll meet you at the corner!

Q: Where do cows go for entertainment?

A: To the moo-vies!

Q: Why are elephants so wrinkled?

A: Because they take too long to iron!

Q: What do you call cheese that isn't yours?

A: Nacho cheese!

Q: What do you call a dog on a beach in the summer?

A: A Hotdog



Paint and Peel!

This easy painting activity feels magical, especially when you use it for a secret message. Your child can hone her writing skills by using tape to spell out something special like her name, and then hide it with paint until it's ready for the special moment of reveal. Afterwards, she'll have a colorful sign or tag decorated with negative space!

What You Need:

- Sheet of paper
- Pencil
- Scrap paper
- Masking tape
- Scissors
- Tempera paint
- Brush
- Eraser

What You Do:

- Have your child practice writing her name as large as she can on a sheet of scrap paper before starting on the sheet of white paper.
- 2. Once your child is feeling comfortable making large letters, she can do it on the sheet of white paper, filling the entire sheet of paper with the letters of his name along with leaving space between each letter.
- 3. Now your child can use strips of tape to write out the letters of his name, over the penciled letters.
- 4. With his favorite colors of tempera paint, he can paint all over his paper, creating a tie-dye look by mixing the colors!
- Once the paper has dried, he can slowly and carefully peel away the tape, revealing his words. Offer your child an eraser to remove any of the pencils marks.

