

ESPECIALLY FOR TEACHERS FROM FLMS...MAY/JUNE 2007

CREATIVE CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

This will be the last entry until September. We hope you will be able to use one or more of the following activities with your students as this school year draws to a close.

May celebrates National Pet Week, Mother's Day, National Bicycle Month, and Memorial Day. The June activities relate to the end of the school year and summer vacation.

Please let us know how you and your students like these activities!

NATIONAL PET WEEK

- Cut out 25 pictures of pets from magazines and classify them into three categories. Combine into a collage.
- Explain why a pet requires great care and responsibility from its owner.
- Decide on the most unusual pet; explain why it is so unusual. Would you like to own this unusual pet? Why, or why not?
- Describe a new pet called a garunterlay. Illustrate and share.
- Some people look like their pets. Draw a picture of a pet that would look like you or a member of your family.

MOTHER'S DAY

- Write a love note to your mom explaining how much you care for her.
- Construct a Mother's Day certificate of excellence for your mom.
- Write about what you think it would be like to be a parent.
- Think of ten adjectives that most accurately describe your mother.
- Survey your class to find out the ages of all the kids' mothers (if they'll share this information ☺). Graph the results.

NATIONAL BICYCLE MONTH

- Write a contract between yourself and someone who is buying your bike on time payments.
- Map out a bicycle tour in your community.
- How is the bicycle a key to pollution control?
- Locate all the components of a bike that are simple machines.
- Create a series of five bumper stickers for bicycles.

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CREATIVE CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES, continued

MEMORIAL DAY

- Discover the origin of Memorial Day and why we celebrate it.
- Share what you plan to do during the Memorial Day weekend.
- Attendance at Memorial Day parades has declined over the past few years. Consider what you feel has caused this to happen.
- Examine the concept of patriotism and consider its role in a nation's success.

END OF SCHOOL/SUMMER VACATION

- If you had the money to do anything or go anywhere you wanted during summer vacation, where would you go and whom would you take with you? Explain.
- What if you could play again with an old friend you haven't seen for a long time; who would you pick and what would you do?
- Compare summer vacation to the winter holidays.
- Construct a summer collage. (Use 11 x 14" paper and pictures cut from magazines.)
- Write a thank you note to one of your teachers for his/her assistance this school year.
- List at least ten things you are concerned about for the next school year.
- List at least ten things you are excited about for the next school year.
- List the ten best things about the current school year that is soon to end.
- Share at least five things that you will do for your family during this summer season.