

ESPECIALLY FOR TEACHERS FROM FLMS...October 2007

CREATIVE CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES

October celebrates Child Health Day, Columbus Day, United Nations Day, and Halloween. Provided below are several creative activities for teachers to use with their students during this month. Let us know how you and your students like these activities. Thanks.

CHILD HEALTH DAY

- In what ways would life be different if you were confined to a wheel chair?
- React to this statement: Laughter is the best medicine.
- Share “old wives tales” about staying healthy.
- Design a collage depicting healthy foods.
- Describe something nice to do for a sick friend or family member.

COLUMBUS DAY

- Design an advertisement for sailors needed to make the first trans-Atlantic voyage; include the incentives which would entice a person to embark on such an adventure.
- Design a passport for Columbus including his picture, place and date of birth, etc.
- Research and write about life on the three ships and what problems the voyagers encountered on the way.
- Stretch your mind and imagine all the unfamiliar sights to Columbus when he reached the New World.
- Name all the characteristics of an explorer.

UNITED NATIONS DAY

- Think of many possible questions that have the word UNITED in their answer.
- In what ways would it be different if it were UNITED WORLD DAY?
- Which countries would you put on a list of “disunited nations”?
- Imagine how a flower can help keep peace in the world.
- Create a time line on the history of the United Nations.

HALLOWEEN

- Expand on this statement: A funny thing happened while I was trick-or-treating.
- Pretend you’re riding a magic broom. Where would you like to go and why?
- List as many ghoulish things as you can think of.
- Draw a cartoon that explains safety tips about trick-or-treating to small children.
- Decide how you would explain the American tradition of celebrating Halloween to a child or friend from a foreign land.

Look for more creative classroom activities from FLMS in November.