

## **Welch Party ideas:**

### **GAMES**

#### **Halloween:**

All grades - guessing game is usually a hit for one station. Provide pencils and pieces of paper; each student writes their name and guess or guesses on each paper. Usually offering two guessing options at one station fills the time. Announce the winner at the end of class. \*I usually have a word find at the station if there is extra time.

Pumpkin - guess the weight

Legos - use colors appropriate for event (orange/black/white Halloween; red, pink, white for Valentines, etc)

Mummy Wrap - using toilet paper. For the older grades have the kids wear mittens, it makes it harder. Do it as a team activity which you then do not use as much TP.

Make Green Slime! We did this at a 4th grade party once which was fun. Just need to allow time. Pull recipe off internet.

Costume Change: Divide the class into groups. Do a relay where the student has to get dressed in a costume, run/walk/skip, and remove costume and then next classmate goes. Winning team is first to complete. Can add that they have to drop a clothes pin in a jar; pop a balloon; toss something in a cup, etc at one end. This can be done for any party. Holiday have them dress/un-dress hats, mittens, boots, etc. Valentines use all red or pink items.

#### **Winter:**

Gift Unwrap: Divide class into teams and this is a relay to see who can unwrap the gifts first. Add a twist by having the kids wear oven mitts. All paper has to be cleaned up in a garbage bag too to qualify to be a winner.

What is on the tray - Place a dozen items on a tray, walk around room and then have the students write down what they remember. Good option for older kids.

Make a card station:

Kids can make a card for someone in their family.

## **Valentines:**

Cupids Arrow:

**1 box of wide straws. (the basic grocery store straw with stripes.)**

**1 box of Q-tips**

**2 large bowls (heart shaped are cute, any dollar store has plastic heart shaped bowls right now)**

**Masking tape**

Divide the group up into teams. Place a heart shaped bowl in front of each team and place some tape about 2 feet back from each teams bowl. Each team member needs a straw and the team needs a large pile of arrows (Q-tips). Tell the "Cupids" they have one minute to get as many "arrows" into their heart as possible. To do this you must place the straw in your mouth, load it with an "arrow," and then blow the "arrow" out the end of the straw towards the heart bowl. The team with the most arrows through the heart wins.

Heart Race:

We placed a bunch of little foam hearts (which I bought super cheap after Valentine's Day last year) in a bowl and placed it on one end of the room (or hall). We placed another empty bowl on the other end of the (or hall). The kids would scoop a spoon into the bowl and then carry those hearts to the other bowl. Simple, and so much fun!

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