

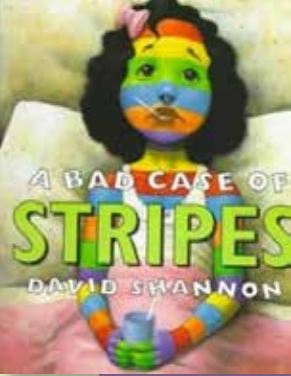
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"If a dream is in your heart, you never lose it."
— Nikki Grimes, *Bronx Masquerade*

OCTOBER 2017

Children's Activity Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>World Vegetarian Day Check out 13 creative veggie snacks that kids will love.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Computer Learning Month Encourage kids to follow their creativity and make original art using a digital tool. Check out Common Sense Media's list of the best apps for kids.</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Happy book birthday to <i>After the Fall (How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again)</i> by Dan Santat.</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Sukkot Begins Share <i>Night Lights: A Sukkot Story</i> by Barbara Diamond Goldin and Laura Sucher.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>David Shannon's Birthday Read aloud <i>A Bad Case of Stripes</i>.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Mad Hatter Day Wear a silly hat today to celebrate the zany character from <i>Alice in Wonderland</i>.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>World Card Making Day Hold a card-making workshop. Make a birthday card! Make a pop-up card! Get creative on making any card imaginable! For ideas, check out ideas from Tinker Lab.</p>
<p>8</p> <p>R. L. Stine's Birthday Check out spooky Goosebumps-themed online games. National Fire Prevention Week (Oct 8–14)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Children's Magazine Month Create a display of children's magazines and booktalk a few of them this month.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Happy book birthday to <i>The Wolf, the Duck, and the Mouse</i> by Mac Barnett and Jon Klassen.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>National Apple Month Read aloud <i>How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World</i> by Marjorie Priceman.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Farmer's Day Listen to Dane Zanes' recording of "The Farmer Is the One," a song celebrating farmers for helping to provide food to us all.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>World Egg Day Challenge students to create their own retelling of the Humpty Dumpty story and share with a friend. Does Humpty still fall apart? Does he see something unexpected from atop the wall? Do we get to meet his family?</p>	<p>14</p> <p>National Arts and Humanities Month Play music and provide art supplies for students to get creative!</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Grouch Day Finally! A chance to join our favorite muppet and complain about everything wrong today! The sky's not gray enough. Your cereal's too soggy. What else could go wrong?</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Joseph Bruchac's Birthday Read aloud <i>The First Strawberries</i>, a retelling of the Cherokee legend explaining how strawberries came to be.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Happy book birthday to <i>This Is Not a Normal Animal Book</i> by Julie Segal-Walters and Brian Biggs.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Diwali Begins National Bullying Prevention Month Check out PACER's top 10 reasons to celebrate National Bullying Prevention Month.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Dan Gutman's Birthday Visit World of Dan Gutman for games, quizzes, and printable activities.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Nikki Grimes's Birthday Share Reading Rockets' video interview with the author and poet.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Count Your Buttons Day Do you have a button jar at home like Judy Schachner's <i>Dewey Bob</i>? Or maybe you've lost a particular button like Frog and Toad in "A Lost Button"? Read one or both of these stories aloud—and don't forget to count your buttons!</p>
<p>22</p> <p>National Nut Day Celebrate the holiday with everyone's favorite nuts, the Nut family in their all-new adventure, <i>The Nuts: Keep Rolling!</i> by Eric Litwin and Scott Magoon.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>National Book Month Encourage students to read a book by an author they have never read before!</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Happy book birthday to <i>How the Cookie Crumbled: The True (and Not-So-True) Stories of the Invention of the Chocolate Chip Cookie</i> by Gilbert Ford.</p>	<p>25</p> <p>International Artist Day Read <i>Masterpiece Mix</i> by Roxie Monroe and see how one artist's work in a picture book is inspired by 37 different masterpieces. Students will have fun finding the different masterpieces in the included search-and-find game.</p>	<p>26</p> <p>National Pumpkin Day Choose from 35 creative ideas for pumpkin crafts.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Frankenstein Friday Named for Frankenstein's monster, today is a day to celebrate like your favorite monster or make up a completely new creation!</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Statue of Liberty Day Happy birthday, Lady Liberty! Take a tour of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island.</p>
<p>29</p> <p>National Cat Day Everyone loves a good cat book! Here are 17 new picture books featuring cats for cat-loving readers!</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Candy Corn Day This candy is ubiquitous with the season, but here are a handful of candy-corn-related crafts for kids you might not have seen.</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Halloween Invite students to dress as their favorite book character today and parade around in celebration of great stories!</p>				



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