

Learning at Home

with
**little
Sprouts** 

In the Pumpkin Patch

Infant Activities

Creative Expression

Standard: Focus attention on interesting sight or sounds, often in shared experiences with adults
React to stimulation in the environment. This includes drawings, sculptures or painting

Pumpkin Finger Painting: For this pumpkin finger- painting activity, I drew a simple outline of a pumpkin on a piece of construction paper. Provide your infant with paint by dabbing a little of the paint onto the paper. You may have to place your child's hand into the paint to get them started.

Talk about the texture of the paint: smooth, cool, slippery. Talk about the shape of the pumpkin: "You are painting a pumpkin shape. It is round and has a stem." You could provide only one color or offer a couple so that some color mixing can occur.

Sensory

Standard: Explore objects, activities, and environments

Pumpkin Sensory: Cut open a pumpkin and let your infant see what is inside. Place the opened pumpkin in a dishpan or baking dish so your child can get their hands into it. Children love playing with pumpkin guts! Be careful with little ones who are still mouthing everything, but they can touch too.

If you prefer a clean exploration, scoop out some of the pumpkin guts and place them in a zip top bag.

Sign Language

Standard: Remember language heard repeatedly in stories, poems, and interactive language experiences

Sign the word- pumpkin

<https://www.babysignlanguage.com/dictionary/p/pumpkin/>

Music and Movement

Standard: Respond to music by joining in on one or two words in a song or moving physically upon hearing a familiar melody or rhythm:

What I Am Song: <https://youtu.be/cyVzjoj96vs>

Peekaboo, I love you song: <https://youtu.be/83a7wLOTsXk>

Toddler Activities

Creative Expression

Standard: Small Muscle Movement and Coordination

Pumpkin Art:

<https://teaching2and3yearolds.com/no-mess-pumpkin-art-with-free-printable/>

Math/Science

Standards: Math: Attributes, sorting, and Patterns

Science: Investigating and Using Evidence cause and effect

Pumpkin Puffy Paint:

<https://www.thechaosandtheclutter.com/archives/pumpkin-puffy-paint>

Books and Songs

Standard: Word comprehension, symbolic representation demonstrate enthusiasm for new learning

From Seed to Pumpkin: https://youtu.be/2DPnU_UINzU

Outside Time:

Standard: Large Muscle Movement and Coordination

Fun Outdoor Activity: Chalkboard Pumpkins:

<https://www.sunnydayfamily.com/2014/10/chalkboard-pumpkins.html>

Preschool Activities

Creative Expression

Standard: Small Muscle Movement and Coordination

Pumpkin Art:

<https://teaching2and3yearolds.com/no-mess-pumpkin-art-with-free-printable/>

Math/Science/Writing

Magic Pumpkin Science:

<https://www.playdoughtoplato.com/magic-pumpkin-science/>

Books and Songs

Standard: Word comprehension, symbolic representation demonstrate enthusiasm for new learning

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Resources and Links:

Circle Time:

<https://youtu.be/V3AxELWZQAw>

Music Class:

<https://youtu.be/1WzYIaNskYg>

Spanish Class:

<https://youtu.be/wuaTuAueFtc>