Rolling in Dough

Pie in the Sky by Lois Ehlert
Pete’s a Pizza by William Steig
All for Pie, Pie for All by David Martin
The Pizza That We Made by Joan Holub
Pizza at Sally’s by Monica Wellington
“Hi, Pizza Man!” by Virginia Walter
The Best Mud Pie by Lin Quinn

Nursery Rhyme: Little Jack Horner

Songs & Fingerplays to Share:

Someone’s Baking
Tune: Frere Jacques
Someone’s baking, someone’s baking.
Apple pie, apple pie.
It’s so yummy, yummy.
In my tummy, tummy.
Apple pie, apple pie.
Continue singing about other kinds of pie, such as cherry, pecan or pumpkin.
preschoolexpress.com

Pizza Man
Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, pizza man,
(Clap hands together)
Make me a pizza as fast as you can.
(shake finger)
Roll it,
(roll as if with rolling pin)
Toss it,
(pretend to toss dough in the air)
Sprinkle it with cheese.
(sprinkling motions)
Put it in the oven.
(pushing motion with hands)
And bake it fast, please!
surlalunefairytales.com

From Seed to Pie
(to the tune of “Farmer in the Dell”
The seed is in the ground.
The seed is in the ground.
Hi-ho, the pumpkin patch!
The seed is in the ground.
Continue with these lines:
The seed grows a sprout.
The sprout grows a vine.
The vine grows a bloom.
The bloom grows a pumpkin.
We make a pumpkin pie.
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Five Little Children
Five little children all in a row,
Ordered a pizza in a box to go.
The first one said,
“Pepperoni tastes so fine.”
The second one said,
“I want mushrooms on mine.”
The third one said,
“I want peppers that are hot.”
The fourth one said,
“I want cheese . . . a lot!”
The fifth one said,
“Be sure to add some spice.”
And they all had a pizza
that tasted mighty nice!
thevirtualvine.com

Your next visit will be: December _____
Next month’s theme will be: “SURPRISE!”
More Books to Share:

- I Know an Old Woman Who Swallowed a Pie by Alison Jackson
- The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza by Philemon Sturges
- An Apple Pie for Dinner retold by Susan VanHecke
- Amelia Bedelia’s First Apple Pie by Herman Parish
- Where is the Apple Pie? by Valeri Gorbachev
- Oh My, Pumpkin Pie! by Charles Ghigna
- Ducking for Apples by Lynne Berry
- The Apple Pie Tree by Zoe Hall
- Rabbit Pie by Penny Ives

Activity Ideas:

Top the Pies: Decorate five orange paper circles so they resemble pumpkin pies. Program each pie with a different number from 1 to 5 and add a matching dot set to the back, if desired. Provide a supply of cotton balls (dollops of whipped cream). If desired, place the cotton balls in a clean whipped cream container. A youngster chooses a pie and identifies the number. Then she places that number of whipped cream dollops on the pie.

Pizza Painting: Provide each child with a “crust” (brown paper circle). Next, have them spread with red fingerpaint “sauce”. Sprinkle with paper strips of “cheese”, then add red paper circle “pepperoni”, green “peppers”, tan “mushrooms”, etc.

Parachute Pie: (developing gross-motor skills) Have children stand around a parachute (check one out of the library!) and hold the parachute’s edges. Tell students to pretend the parachute is a pie crust. Then encourage them to raise the crust as you call out several students’ names. Prompt the called students (pie filling) to run under the crust and sit on the floor beneath it as the remaining youngsters pull the edges of the crust downward. Repeat the activity several times, calling on different children.

Book of the Month:

Handy Dad ~ 25 Awesome Projects for Dads and Kids by Todd Davis

The host of HGTV’s “Over Your Head” presents projects for dads to build with their kids. With full color photos and easy-to-follow instructions, this guide is chock-full of creative and inexpensive ways to keep kids (and dads) entertained for hours. From dollhouses and paper airplane bombers to lava lamps and ziplines, Handy Dad provides everything you need to spend quality time with the kids.

Road to Reading Tip:

Allow older toddlers to begin exploring writing instruments (pens, markers and crayons). Provide them with other toys and activities (e.g., pouring water) that develop the hand-eye coordination and fine motor skill necessary for writing.

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?! Call Melinda Chase, Bel Air Branch, at 410-638-3151, ext. 2279.

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