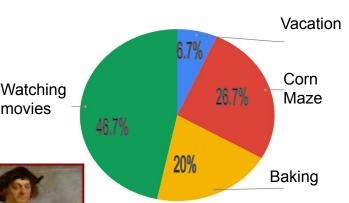


On October 31st people celebrate Halloween by dressing up in costumes, having parties, trick or treating, and many more! Halloween is the time for carving pumpkins. Many people all across the nation decorate their homes with pumpkins and Halloween

symbols!! Some people have costume contests to see who's the scariest and most creative. Sometimes people like to prank or scare each other since it's the spookiest time of the year.

The students here at Herndon love when we have breaks off of school...who doesn't!? The students were asked their favorite activities over the Fall Break and their answers were: 46% watch movies; 6% vacation; 26% corn maze; 20% bake.



**Columbus Day** 

By: Keriasia Alford

# TRACK & FIE

Coaches Corbell, Rex, and Walker are sponsoring and coaching track and field this year. There are a lot of Herndon students from grades 5-8 participating in track this year. Track had their first practice Tuesday, October 6. Track activities are: running, hurdles, sprinting, shot put, and discuss.

## MRS. K. RICE'S HOMEROOM



## landing of Christopher Columbus in the Americas in 1492. On October 12 many people celebrated, including a number of cities and states as early as the 18th century. This did not become a federal holiday until 1937. Also, Christopher Columbus was an Italian explorer and navigator. Then in 1492, he sailed across the Atlantic Ocean from Spain in the Santa Maria, with the Pinta and the Niña ships alongside, hoping to find a new route to India. For many, the holiday is a way to honor Columbus' achievements and celebrate

Italian-American heritage. Lastly, many

alternatives to the holiday have been proposed since the 1970s including Indidgenous people day

Columbus Day is a U.S. holiday that honors the

## not celebrated in a handful of U.S. states. By Savannah Jester

This year's Dixie Corn Maze was a blast. All precautions for COVID-19 were accounted for so everyone could focus on having a rootin' tootin' time! Children could have fun meeting the farm's animals: the horses, ponies, chickens, and the piglets. They could jump on the big Jumpy Thing, participate in the Hay Bail Ride, and drop from the Barn Swing. Have fun running through the corn maze or wait for dusk and test your bravery at the spooky, Haunted Corn Maze! Enjoy the fair type foods and tacos at the food stands and sip on your fresh squeezed lemonade. The Dixie Maze Farms has activities for everyone!



# rs. France

By: Josey Slack

Mrs. France has been teaching for 15 years. She has taught 4th grade, 5th grade, and 1st grade since 2005. Mrs. France says it is funny how God takes something you fear like being a reading teacher and how he does so much for you. Her favorite thing about teaching is the kid's excitement when she read to them she tries to read to her class every day. She loves seeing the little one's eyes light up when reading their favorite books.

Teaching Coronavirus Safety

Mrs. Hobbs' second grade class was sent little activity books about coronavirus and germs by the Northwestern nursing center to teach students about safety in coronavirus. The students had a great time working the activity books and were very thankful for them. The Northwestern nursing center made sure that all students

were informed about COVID-19. Washing your hands and wearing your mask insures that everyone stays safe. All students thanked the nursing center for their kindness.



By: Kandice Wilson

Spooky season is upon us once again. It's that time a the year where we dress up in our favorite costumes and go trick or treating. Have you ever wondered how all the Halloween traditions came to be! The history of Halloween starts off with the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain (sow-in). One of our traditions apple bobbing was created to celebrate the goddess of fruit and trees Pomona.













By: Sophia Smith

The fourth graders are making a book about what the abc's of 2020 would be. Each student was assigned a letter and had to find a word that starts with the letter that fits the description of this year. After all that's happened this year it shouldn't be too hard to find words to describe this crazy year. Mrs. Henderson said "This is the first time I am doing something like this and I think it will work out great." The students have had a lot of fun doing it and are almost finished with the book, they are very excited to see the final product Mrs. Henderson said that they should be done by the end of the month.





Mrs. K. Carlisle

Mr. Thomas

By: Maddie Willis

Scary movies have been part of Halloween for years. Some people love the thrill that horror movies bring. Horror movies have definitely evolved throughout the years. They have become more realistic thus making it scarier for the audience. Though there are a lot of good older scary movies like Friday The 13th, The Grudge, IT 2, and The Scary Movie series. Halloween Kills was out October 16, 2020 witch is a remake of the Halloween movies from the early 1980's to the early 2000's. People have been watching horror movie near Halloween and in October as tradition for decades.

