**April Fool's Party Ideas for Kids**

April Fool's is nearly here. Here are some fabulous ideas for your kids that work for adults too.

**April Fool's Silly Tricks**

Use acrylic or fabric pain. It would be best to use paint with only a ¼” of paint left. On wax paper pour paint as if the paint bottle fell over. Then empty the rest of the paint in the garbage let the paint dry completely on the wax paper then peel up. Also let the leftover film of paint dry in the paint bottle. Place on the carpet or sofa.

Put lotion in the soap dispenser

If you have pull out sprayer on your sink rubber band the leaver down.

Lock doors not normally locked

Loosen light bulbs out of light socket.

Put dry ice in your toilet

Fill a room or closet with as many inflated balloons as you can.

Dribble cup – water only, poke little holes toward the top with a needle or a safety pin

Stick silly notes on kid’s backs with Post-its

Buy fake fruit and offer in a lunch box. Apples or grapes work best

Set all the clocks - don't forget the oven and microwave - 30 minutes ahead.

**Backwards April Fool's**

Ask everyone to wear their clothes backward, shirts, pants, shoes, and even hats.

Do your menu backwards. Start with desert then sides, main dish and appetizers.

Play games backwards. For board games “Start” at the Finish, whoever ends at start first wins.

Try having a race with walking backwards.

Do an activity backwards. This should be written down to avoid confusion. For example: Go to the book shelf and get a book then go to the kitchen and get a napkin. Do all of this walking backwards. So you would walk forwards get the napkin in the kitchen and the book from the bookshelf. Keep adding tasks.

Spell names backwards on a name badge.

**April Fool's Silly Party**

Ask your guests to wear their clothes inside out or wear clothes that are too big or small.

Ask them to wear silly hats or accessories.

For food let the kids decorate round pizzas with a variety of meats and veggies to make silly faces.

Make a mini meal, pizza bagel bites, mini tacos, mini tostadas, (prepare tostadas using round tortilla chips.)

Make a giant hamburger using a round loaf of bread, a burger baked in a round cake pan. Line it with aluminum foil so you can lift the burger out. Serve with lots of lettuce, and onions. Cut in wedges to serve.

Concoct a giant ice cream sundae in a large clear bowl with several different kinds of ice cream and topping.

**Silly food games to play –**

Write down your menu and everything you will need to eat or drink. For example: Menu: Tacos, w/refried beans, Mexican rice, tortilla chips and juice

List: Taco shells
Cooked hamburger w/taco seasoning
Lettuce
Shredded cheese
Diced tomatoes
Tortilla chips
Sour cream
Salsa or hot sauce
Cooked refried beans
Cooked Mexican rice
Juice
Cups
Spoons
Forks
Napkins

Every one gets a plate. Copy the list for each person then cut out each item. Every person should have a strip of paper with each item written on it. Put the strips of paper in a cup for each person. Each person draws three items without looking. Those are the only items you can eat and the only items you can use to eat it with. So you could end up with a napkin a taco shell and lettuce. To actually complete a meal will take awhile. This is also messy you have to use your hands and you may get juice with no cup. The combinations are funny.

**Faux Sunny-side up eggs**

Pancakes
Thick and creamy vanilla yogurt or marsh mellow cream
Canned apricot or peach halves

Heat pancakes. Spread a thick layer of yogurt or marsh mellow cream on top of the pancake. Place apricot or peach half cut side down in center.

**Funny French fries**

Take refrigerated breadstick dough cut into smaller French fry size pieces coat with sugar. Bake following directions. Serve with red jam as dipping "ketchup."

Fish sticks instead of chicken strips (check allergies)

Colored “Goldfish” instead of goldfish

Flips by Town House are they pretzels or crackers?

Hot dog croissant use large pre-baked refrigerated croissants and ½ hot dogs. Roll up ½ hot dogs in croissants, be sure to make sure ½ hot do is in the middle and covered. Bake following directions. When done hot dog should be covered. Kids get a surprise when eating.

**Pizza Burritos**

Take burrito size tortillas spread pizza sauce in the center and spread almost to the edges. Leave ½’ to 1” around the border. You want a thin layer of sauce. Dice pizza toppings such as green peppers, onions, cooked Italian sausage, and pepperoni. Layer the toppings and mozzarella cheese on the sauce. Fold into a burrito shape. Bake 20 minutes in a 350 degree oven. For a snack size use 4 inch street taco size tortillas.

**Burger Cupcakes**

Cut a yellow un-iced cupcake into three layers. The rounded top is the top of the bun. The flat bottom is the bottom of the pan. Save the middle layer for another use. You could top with soften ice cream and freeze. Crumble and mix with sweetened berries. Or make a mini-cake by frosting, then topping with another cake layer and frosting.

Use green fruit leather as the lettuce leaves. Roll out red gumdrops as tomato slices. Dap yellow frosting around the edge of the cupcake as mustard. Dap white frosting as mayonnaise.

The burger can be fudge squished into a round circle, a round soft chocolate cookie or brownie.

**Cookie Pizza**

Use roll out cookie dough in a round pizza shape. Top with chocolate chips, crushed nuts, mini marshmallows, dried fruits, and/or small candies, then bake as the package directs. While still warm from the oven drizzle with vanilla frosting to resemble cheese. Cut in wedges when cool.