

Happy 4th of July Week

June 28-July 4

Join us July 3 for an amazing 4th of July virtual dance party!!!!

Decorate your home for the holiday

1. Clothespin Wreath <https://thekrazycouponlady.com/tips/diy/diy-fourth-of-july-clothespin-wreath>
2. Ribbon Garland <https://www.thinkmakeshareblog.com/july-4th-ribbon-garland/>
3. Red, White and Blue Candle Holders
<https://www.fromhousetohome.com/entertainingdiva/diy-red-white-and-blue-candle-holders/>
4. Lots of great and inexpensive ideas for 4th of July decorations
<https://www.prudentpennypincher.com/4th-of-july-diy-decor/>

Crafts

1. Patriotic Wind Catcher <https://www.craftymorning.com/patriotic-wind-catcher/>
Uses paper plates, red, white and blue paint, ribbon or string
2. Easy 4th of July Firework Craft <https://startathomedecor.com/easy-4th-july-firework-craft/>
Uses empty toilet paper rolls, paper plates, construction paper, red, white and blue paint
3. Patriotic Necklaces <https://buggyandbuddy.com/4th-july-craft-kids-patriotic-necklace/>
Uses string or thin yarn, blue pony beads, red or red and white straws
4. Patriotic Sparkle Bottles https://jamonkey.com/sparkle-bottles/?utm_medium=social&utm_source=pinterest&utm_campaign=tailwind_tribes&utm_content=tribes&utm_term=344042550_10702594_200128
Uses empty plastic water bottles, red, blue and silver star confetti, glycerin and water
5. Egg Carton American Flag Craft <https://www.craftymorning.com/egg-carton-american-flag-craft-for-kids/>
Uses 18 count egg carton, red, white and blue paint, white paper
Great for doing lots of painting and easy for those who struggle with painting smaller areas

Games

1. 4 Fun 4th of July games https://www.distinctiv.com/blogs/news/4th-of-july-games?utm_medium=Social&utm_source=Pinterest
2. Balloon Game <https://www.messforless.net/patriotic-game-for-kids/>
3. Marshmallow War Game
Marshmallow Wars



Make Your DIY Marshmallow Shooters



To make these DIY marshmallow shooters, you'll need some empty toilet paper rolls, red and white striped paper, blue balloons, and rubber bands. Start by cutting the paper to fit around the toilet paper rolls.



Glue the paper into place around the outside of the toilet paper roll. I suggest using hot glue for this. It makes the seam more secure, allow it to hold up to play after you're finished making this fun 4th of July craft.



Put your toilet paper rolls aside and grab a couple of blue balloons. Start by tying a knot in the end of the balloon — but don't inflate it! Instead, cut the top (rounded end) off the balloon, leaving around an inch and a half of balloon for you to work with.



Finish making your DIY marshmallow shooters by wrapping the open end of the balloon around one end of the toilet paper tube. Secure the balloon in place with a rubber band. This step is important because the kids will be pulling on the balloon as they shoot their marshmallows. The rubber band ensures the balloon won't fall off as the kids play.



After everyone is finished making their **DIY marshmallow shooters**, it's time to play! To shoot a marshmallow, simply place it inside the tube and allow it to all into the balloon. Then, pull back the knot on the end of the balloon and aim at your target. Let the knot go to shoot the balloon out.

4. Red, White and Blue Scavenger Hunt

Attached to email

5. Let Freedom Ring

Supplies:

- Little Dixie Cups
- Small Christmas bells
- Water

Prep:

1. Fill Dixie Cups half full with water then freeze.
2. Place bell in cup on top of frozen water. Fill the rest of the cup (with the bell inside) almost to the top.
3. Freeze again so the bell is frozen in the middle of the cup.

Play:

Players must do whatever they can to get the bell out of the frozen cup of water and ring it. The only caveat is that they cannot throw the ice on the ground to just break it open.

First person to get their bell out wins. This game is best played outside since the ice will likely be melting all over the place! You could do this with anything if you don't have bells.

Fun Sensory Activities

1. Fizzing Dough Patriotic fizzing fireworks
<https://simpleplayideas.com/fizzing-dough>
2. 4th of July Slime
<https://simpleplayideas.com/4th-july-activity-make-slime>
3. Firecracker Goop <https://www.growingajeweledrose.com/2013/06/pop-rock-goop.html>
4. Shaving Cream Fireworks <https://www.icanteachmychild.com/shaving-cream-fireworks/>

4th of July Recipes have fun with 4th of July recipes!

1. Red, White and Blue Deviled Eggs <https://www.createdby-diane.com/2013/06/how-to-make-red-white-and-blue-deviled-eggs.html>
2. Patriotic Punch <https://www.momendeavors.com/kid-friendly-patriotic-punch/>
3. Red, White and Blue Bars <https://www.lovefromtheoven.com/red-white-blue-bars/?m=>
4. Red, White and Blue Fruit Salad <https://www.eatingonadime.com/red-white-and-blue-fruit-salad/>

5. Patriotic Pretzel Bites <https://www.twosisterscrafting.com/patriotic-pretzel-bites/>

Virtual 4th of July Events

1. History of the 4th of July...crash course in US History
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iIoYdC1Gkq8>
2. Epcot Voices of Liberty 4th of July at Walt Disney World
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2qbcoa7vLTO>
3. Fireworks at 4th of July Celebration in Washington DC 2019
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fBeBuVCwFpk>
4. Disney Celebrates America 4th of July
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4vLbFyRaIc8>
5. National Independence Day Parade from Washington DC
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICJ5dHEUqcU>

4th of July Coloring Pages/Puzzles

1. 4th of July Coloring Pages <https://www.crayola.com/free-coloring-pages/holidays/independence-day-us-coloring-pages/>
2. 4th of July Coloring Pages <http://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/holidays/independence-day-4th-of-july>
3. 4th of July Word search Puzzles attached to email
4. Another 4th of July Word search puzzle attached to email
5. 4th of July Crossword Puzzle attached to email