

Use autumnal colours like reds, greens and oranges

THE LAST MINUTE NO-CARVE PUMPKIN CRAFT WITH CRAYONS

You will need:

Pumpkins • Various wax crayons • Glue • Cutting board • Knife • Hairdryer • Paper

- Place your pumpkin on a large piece of paper as **this activity can get quite messy**.
- Take the wrappers off the crayons and **break each in half**. On one side of the crayon use a knife to flatten the sides, which makes it easier to stick down.

- **Glue the crayons** to the top of the pumpkin.
- Use a hairdryer on the lowest setting and aim at the crayons, changing the direction of the warm air to get the wax to move and **create beautiful and colourful patterns**.



A cool twist on the traditional pumpkin carving



Nanny Anita's Marvellous Treasure Map

You will need:

Paper • Tea bag and water • Pencils • Matches/ lighter (optional)

Draw your treasure map on the piece of paper, then 'paint' over the entire piece of paper with a wet tea bag. Leave it to dry. If you want to give it a really old look use a lighter or match to burn the edges of the paper – an adult task of course!



FIND THE NUMBERS

All you need is:

Lentils • Rice • Food colouring • Pasta • Conkers

- Dye your pasta and rice with food colouring. Leave to one side to dry.
- Write or paint numbers on each conker and leave to dry. Once dry add them to the mix, number down.
- Now find the specific numbers, to practise number recognition.

Slimy Witches' Soup

With Halloween treats, I always try and serve something slightly healthy for tea. This year, I'm going to fill a massive cauldron (aka a pot), with this spooky-looking soup.

- Fry an onion in a little rapeseed oil.
- Pour in a bag of frozen peas.
- Stir and then cover with boiling vegetable stock.
- Simmer for five minutes and set aside, before blitzing.
- For fingernail croutons, chop up a few plain tortillas into small jagged pieces and bake on a baking tray in the oven for five minutes. Can be served in a hollowed-out pumpkin.

NANNY ANITA'S COOKIE ADVENTURE



All children love Nanny Anita's Cookie Adventures, and with Guy Fawkes upon us, this one is very apt. This trip takes you from Westminster to Trafalgar, and although it's just one long road, it does cover 1,000 years of history in half a mile.

Get crowned in Westminster Abbey, escape Guy Fawkes' plot, pay your respects to the dead at the Cenotaph, and help Winston Churchill keep our country safe in the War Rooms.

Download a free printable trail on My Baba, filled with activities, fun facts and an eye-spy.

get CRAFTY

LEONORA BAMFORD AND NANNY ANITA RUSTLE UP SOME SEASONAL AFTER-SCHOOL FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



Craft boxes are buckets of fun for everyone and provide hours of enjoyment

THINGS WE LIKE...

Join Molly & the Wolf's Craft Club and you can receive craft boxes straight to your door. We love the Raccoon Mask and Tail Craft Box.

I can't believe my baby girl has just started school. I feel a wave of empty nest syndrome coming on but, for the first time in years, I have more than single-hour time slots on my hands and I'm excited about the next chapter. Nanny Anita and I have been dreaming up ideas for after-school fun, and we've got a great seasonal craft for toddlers up our sleeves and a fun after-school treasure hunt.

I've been making some ghoulish treats for Halloween, and on bonfire night we're taking the kids on Nanny Anita's Westminster to Trafalgar Cookie Adventure. We're mad about no-carve pumpkins, which are really easy to make and fun for the whole family and we love experiment and craft boxes, too!
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