Harvest of the Month *

PUMPKIN



TASTE - MAKE - LEARN

The Humboldt County Office of Education put this kit together so you can do Harvest of the Month with your family!

- 1. TASTE some pumpkin on its own.
- 2. MAKE a dish with pumpkin using the recipe and ingredients provided.
- 3. LEARN about pumpkin with the information below.

Fun Facts

- Pumpkins are native to the Southern U.S. and Mexico. Indigenous North Americans have grown pumpkins for thousands of years.
- The heaviest pumpkin was grown in Belgium in 2016 and weighed 2,624 pounds!
- Pumpkins are related to zucchini, melons and cucumbers.
- One cup of mashed pumpkin contains 245 percent of your recommended daily intake of Vitamin A!

Jack-O'-Lanterns

The custom of carving pumpkins at Halloween grew out of an Irish tradition of carving turnips and potatoes! In fact, the name, jack-o'-lantern, comes from an Irish folktale about a man named Stingy Jack. Irish immigrants brought the tradition to America, and found the pumpkin perfect for carving!

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