

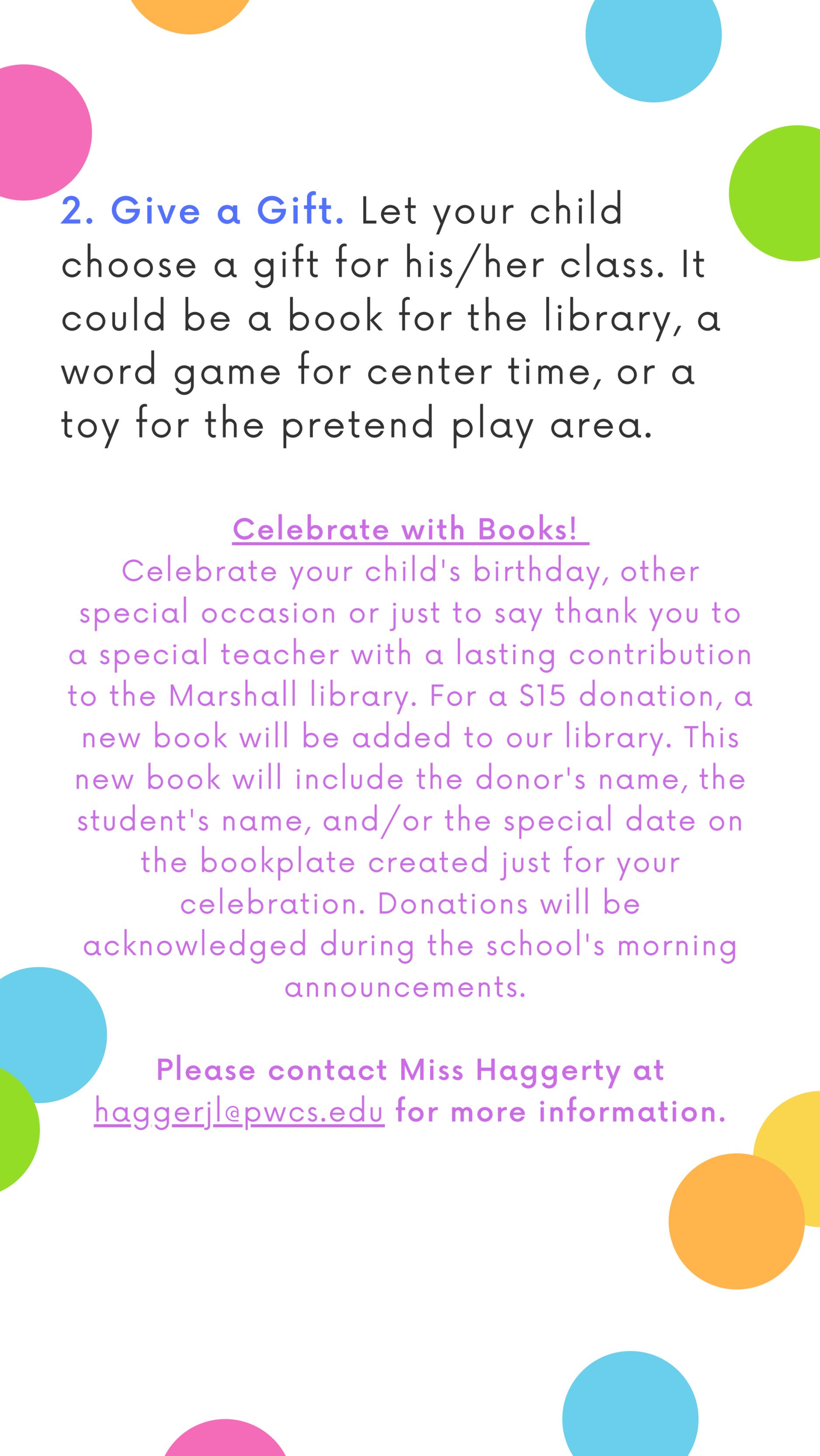
FUN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES TO CELEBRATE YOUR CHILD

As a school, we would love to celebrate your child's special day with fun instead of food.

Please review the fun list below and let your child's teacher know which activity you have picked so they can prepare for your child's special celebration.

The celebration will be incorporated into the classroom schedule.

1. **Host a Game Day.** Bring in your child's favorite reading or math game for the class to play. If the game is best for small groups, plan to share the game during a scheduled math or reading "center time."



2. Give a Gift. Let your child choose a gift for his/her class. It could be a book for the library, a word game for center time, or a toy for the pretend play area.

Celebrate with Books!

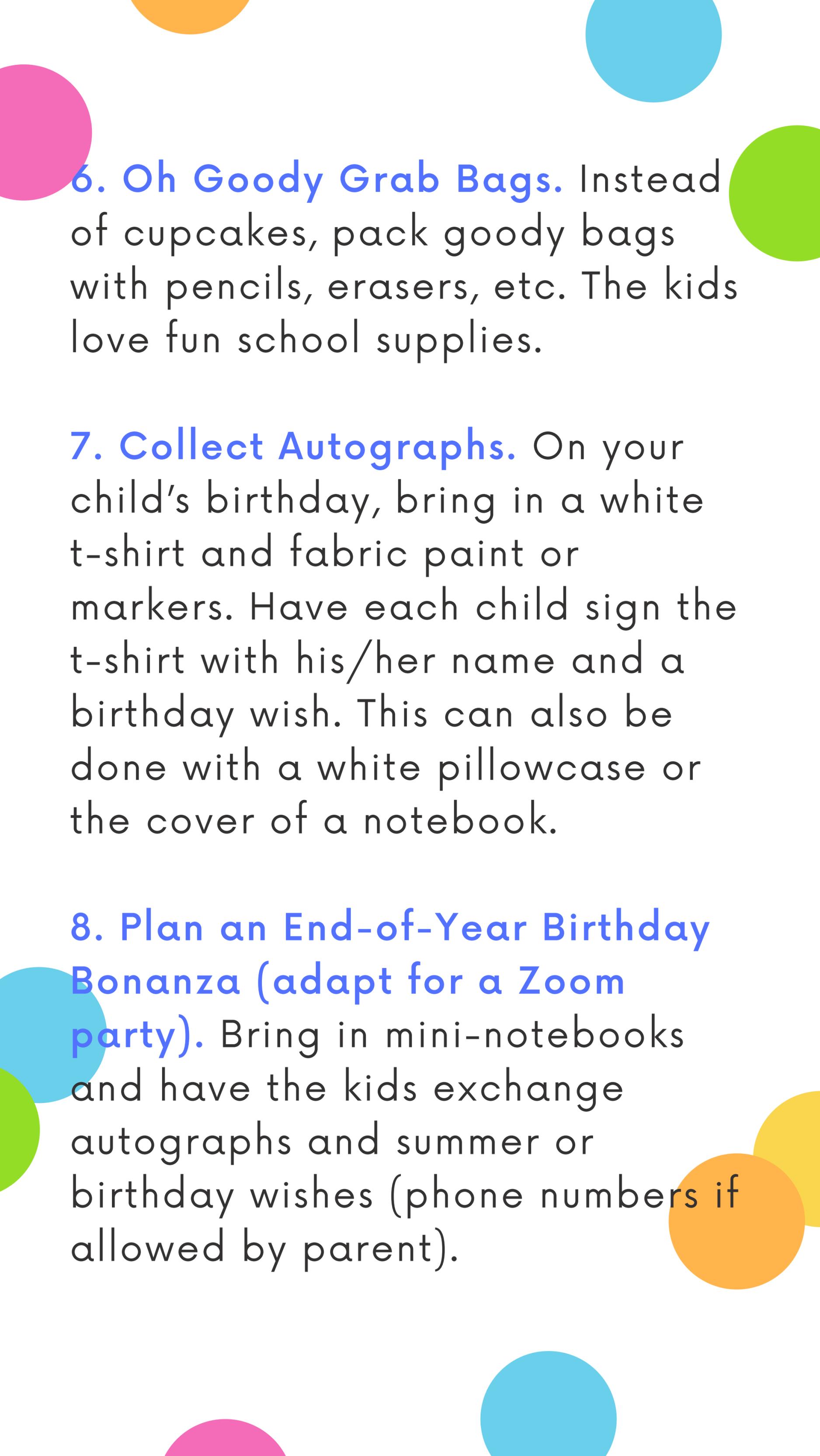
Celebrate your child's birthday, other special occasion or just to say thank you to a special teacher with a lasting contribution to the Marshall library. For a \$15 donation, a new book will be added to our library. This new book will include the donor's name, the student's name, and/or the special date on the bookplate created just for your celebration. Donations will be acknowledged during the school's morning announcements.

Please contact Miss Haggerty at haggerjl@pwcs.edu for more information.

3. Throw a Book Party. Read your child's favorite book to the class.

4. Write a Birthday Story. Bring in a blank book and have the class create a story about your child's birthday, including themselves as characters. Your child will get a memento of his/her school year, and the class will enjoy the process of seeing themselves written into a story. As you write, make sure that every child makes it onto a page.

5. Birthday Math. If your child loves math, work with his/her teacher to incorporate a birthday theme into math. Bring in birthday manipulatives to use in an addition or subtraction lesson (candles, balloons). Or, write a page of birthday-themed word problems that include the names of your child and his/her classmates.



6. Oh Goody Grab Bags. Instead of cupcakes, pack goody bags with pencils, erasers, etc. The kids love fun school supplies.

7. Collect Autographs. On your child's birthday, bring in a white t-shirt and fabric paint or markers. Have each child sign the t-shirt with his/her name and a birthday wish. This can also be done with a white pillowcase or the cover of a notebook.

8. Plan an End-of-Year Birthday Bonanza (adapt for a Zoom party). Bring in mini-notebooks and have the kids exchange autographs and summer or birthday wishes (phone numbers if allowed by parent).



9. Throw a Season Mix-Up Party.

If your child's birthday is during the summer, plan activities that compare winter and summer and celebrate with summer activities.

10. Donate a Wish List Item to Your Teacher (next year).

Ask your teacher if they have a special item they would love in the classroom (tissues/hand sanitizer/baggies/pencils).

