

Lions' Den





The Reason Why Americans Refer to Autumn as 'Fall'

The words 'fall' and 'autumn' appeared around the same time in Great Britain, but only one of the seasonal names is still used there today.

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Saturday, September 23, 2023, marks the start of a new season—but what exactly you should call that season depends on where in the world you are and whom you ask. In Great Britain, the third season of the year usually has only one name: *autumn*. But if you hop across the Atlantic, you'll find that people use both *fall* and *autumn* interchangeably when referring to this time of year, making it the only season in the English <u>language</u> with two widely accepted names. So what is it about the season of Halloween <u>pop-up stores</u>, denim jackets, and pumpkin spice lattes that makes it so special?

According to <u>Dictionary.com</u>, *fall* isn't a modern nickname that followed the more traditional *autumn*. The two terms are actually first recorded within a few hundred years of each other. Before either word emerged in the lexicon, the season between summer and winter was known as *harvest*, or *hærfest* in Old English. The <u>word</u> is of Germanic stock and meant "picking," "plucking," or "<u>reaping</u>," a nod to the act of gathering and preserving crops before winter.

In the 1500s, English speakers began calling the seasons separating the cold and warm months "fall of the leaf" or "spring of the leaf," or "fall" and "spring" for short. Both terms were simple and evocative, but for some reason, only *spring* had staying power in Britain. By the end of the 1600s, *autumn*, from the French word *autompne* and the Latin *autumnus*, had overtaken *fall* as the standard British term for the third season.

Around the same time England adopted *autumn*, the first-ever British American colonists were voyaging to North America. With them they brought the words *fall* and *autumn*, and while the former fell out of fashion overseas, it solidified itself in the local vernacular by the time America won its independence. Today, using both words to describe the season before winter is still a uniquely American behavior.

Fall and autumn have the most complicated etymology, but there's a story behind all the words we use describe the four seasons. Here's how each season got its name.

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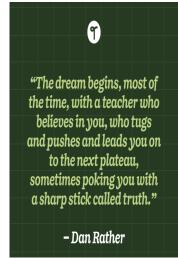
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Weekly Quote:



Send in your weekly quote to be printed in the Lion's Den!** Academy Only Report Cards Wednesday, October 9, 2024



Annual Fall Festival Friday, October 25, 2024



Payment Method Changes

Due to some issues with our current Cashapp all tuition payments have to be made through our Smartcare app. Please make sure that you login to your account to pay tuition from this point forward. If there are any questions or concerns, please give us a call here in the office at (803) 254-0068.

PARENTS REMINDERS & EVENTS





Tuition and Payment

Tuition must be paid by the end of business on Mondays by 9:00 pm through the Smartcare system Payments made after Monday must be in the form of cash or money order. We no longer accept personal checks for late payments.

If payments have not cleared by the end of business on Tuesday students will not be admitted into school on Wednesday until all financial obligations are met. All late payments will be assessed a \$30.00 late fee. This policy will be enforced.

Any questions concerning this matter, please contact the administration office at (803) 254-0068.

Kidz Korner

Wake up your brain with this "BRAINTEASER!" Funny yet Corny Christmas Riddles!

Question: What five letter gets shorter when you add two letters to

Last week's answer: He throws the ball straight up.

Celebrations/Events/Fields Trips

Date	Event
09/23	Challenger Center (1st - 2nd Grade
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Museum of Illusions Charlotte, NC (3rd - 5rd Grade) 09/25

Еидога Farms - Salley, SC (K-4) 09/26

Student Council Election Speeches (Academy Only) 09/26 Riverbanks Zoo and Botanical Gardens (K-3) 09/30

All field trips and guest speakers are subject to change!



Dining at the Den Weekly Menu

September 23 - 27, 2024



MONDAY

Lunch Chicken and Rice Mixed Vegetables Corn Muffins Peaches

Milk **Snack** Ice Cream Cup Milk



TUESDAY

Lunch Hamburger French Fries Mixed Fruit Milk

Snack Blueberry Muffins Spring Water



WEDNESDAY

Lunch Baked Chicken Seasoned Rice Cabbage Pineapples Milk

Snack Tortilla Chips w/Cheese Dip Lemonade



THURSDAY

Lunch Baked Corndog Nuggets French Fries Tropical Fruit Milk

Snack Teddy Graham Cookies Milk



Lunch

Popcorn Chicken Mozzarella Sticks/ Marinara Sauce Sliced Apples Milk

Snack Fresh Vegetables Crackers w/Ranch









September 2024 Menu



Menus are subject to change







September 2-6, 2024

SCHOOL **CLOSED** IN Observance of Labor Day

Lunch Chicken Sandwich w/trimmings Seasoned Fries Pineapple Chunks Milk

Snack Fruit Cups Milk

Lunch Sloppy Joe on Bun Corn Fritters Diced Peaches Milk

Snack Corn Chips w/Nacho Cheese Lemonade

Lunch Mini Breakfast Corndogs Tater tots Tropical Fruit Milk

> Snack Sliced Apples w/Carmel Fruit Punch

Lunch Chili Mac Tossed Salad Applesauce Milk

Snack Donut Holes Milk

September 9-13, 2024

Lunch Cheese/Pepperoni Pizza Fresh Garden Salad Fresh Oranges Milk

> **Snack** Trail Mix Fruit Punch

Lunch Chicken Quesadilla Street Corn Peaches Milk

Snack
Jell-O cup w/Mixed Fruit
Water

Lunch

Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Peaches Milk

Snack Turkey w/cheese Cubes Crackers Milk

Lunch

Turkey & Cheese Sliders Potato Chips Fresh Vegetables w/Ranch Milk

Snack Assorted Pop Tarts Milk

Lunch

Chicken Nuggets French Fries Fresh Fruit Milk

> **Snack** Fruit Cups Water

September 16-20, 2024

Lunch

Chicken Nuggets Roasted Potatoes Green Beans Fresh Fruit

Snack Fresh Baked Oatmeal Cookies

Lunch

Philly Steak & Cheese Potato Wedges Mixed Fruit Milk

Snack Chocolate Chip Cookies Milk

Lunch

Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Corn Nibblets Garlic Bread Apple sauce Milk

> **Snack** Goldfish Crackers Lemonade

Lunch

Pulled BBQ Chicken Sandwiches Fried Green Beans Pears Milk

Snack Rainbow Sherbet Spring Water

Lunch

Breakfast Sausage & Cheese Pizza Hash Browns Mandarin Oranges Milk

Snack

Cream Cheese w/Graham Crackers Milk

September 25-29, 2024

Lunch

Chicken and Rice Mixed Vegetables Corn Muffins Peaches Milk

Snack Ice Cream Cup Milk

Lunch

Hamburger French Fries Mixed Fruit Milk

Snack Blueberry Muffins Spring Water

Lunch
Baked Chicken
Seasoned Rice Cabbage Pineapples Milk

Snack

Tortilla Chips w/Cheese Dip Lemonade

Lunch

Baked Corndog Nuggets French Fries Tropical Fruit Milk

Snack Nack Teddy Graham Cookies Milk

Lunch

Popcorn Chicken Mozzarella Sticks/ Marinara Sauce Sliced Apples Milk

Snack

Fresh Vegetables Crackers w/Ranch Dip Milk