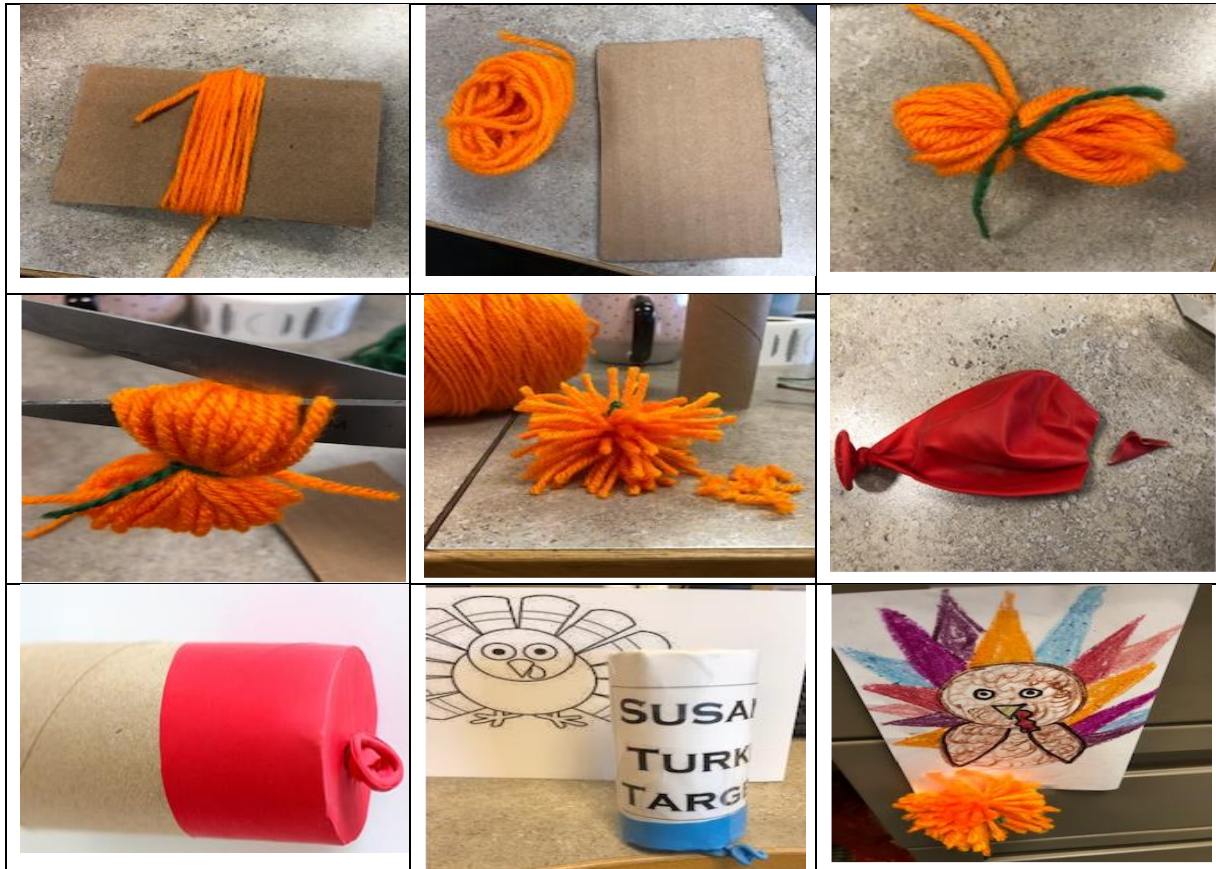


This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. I am hoping that everyone gets to enjoy this special holiday week. This is the perfect time to spend with family, friends, and neighbors creating crafts, games, and memories. This is a little activity you have seen here before but with a turkey theme. You can create a pumpkin pom pom launcher to try your aim at a turkey target. It is a good indoor game, if the weather gets cool. Sharing time together will keep everyone warm on the inside.



1-Wind yarn or string around a piece of cardboard that is about 1 ½ in to 2 in. wide. Wind around about 25 times. If you have orange yarn that is perfect for a pumpkin pom pom. Do not stretch the yarn too tight. Pull the whole roll off of the cardboard. Cut a small piece of green or brown yarn. Tie it around the pile of yarn in the middle. Tie a knot **tightly** to secure all of the yarn. Cut open the loops on both ends. Fluff it up and tie multiple knots in the green yarn to look like the stem of the pumpkin. Cut off any excess.

2-**You will need a balloon for this project.** Tie a knot at the end. Now cut out a small chunk on the opposite end. Get a toilet paper cardboard roll or paper towel roll, cut in half. You can decorate your tube with any design. Or wrap with a piece of paper with your name on. You may want to tape the paper down inside the roll to make a smooth launching surface. Pull the balloon over one edge of the cardboard tube. Tape the balloon on to the tube with electrical tape, duct tape or shipping tape for strength. That is all there is to create your pumpkin launcher. Color a picture of a turkey and place it somewhere in the house or tape it on the back of someone's shirt. Now launch the pumpkin and see if you can hit the turkey target. Happy launching and have a Happy Holiday! -Ms. Susan