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MY LITTLE PONY 6

“Pranks for the Memories”

Formerly known as “Under the Weather”

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TEASER**EXT. EVERFREE FOREST – NIGHT**

It's a dark and stormy night and FLUTTERSHY is escorting a band of woodland creatures through the Everfree Forrest. Ominous eyes follow them and they hurry along growing more and more fearful. Rustling in the trees surrounds them, followed by the horrible howl of terrible creature. Suddenly a shadowy figure jumps out and scares them. They all shriek in terror as we reveal—it's just RAINBOW DASH pulling a prank. Dash rolls on the ground laughing as Fluttershy tries to sooth her shell-shocked charges.

END TEASER**MAIN TITLES****ACT ONE****INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE – DAY**

Fluttershy brings her still frightened animals to Twilight and expresses concern that Dash's pranking is getting out of hand. The others agree and share similar stories. Pinkie suggests that it's all in good fun. It's almost Nightmare Nights and Dash just loves this time of year. Who doesn't? Unfortunately, Pinkie immediately becomes Dash's next victim and gets pranked hard. She objects, but the others remind her, "It's all in good fun." Pinkie counters, "It's only fun when it's fun and that wasn't fun." Dash is glib. "Aw, come on. Can't you take a joke?" The M6 suggest that Dash pull it back, but she's like, "Are you kidding? It's almost Nightmare Nights. If anything, I've got to crank it up a notch." She flies off and her friends all exchange looks.

INT. SWEET APPLE ACRES – BARN – NIGHT

It's Nightmare Nights and Dash and Applejack get ready to go out. Dash puts the finishing touches on her preparations. She's come up with the best pranks and this year is going to be the best ever. She's got pranks for the Trick-or-Treaters, pranks for the Town Festival, and when everypony heads to the Nightmare Moon statue for the candy offering, she's got the best prank of all.

Applejack mentions that Dash should be prepared for the evening to be more subdued than she expects—it's Ponititis season after all. Some ponies might just stay home because they're worried about getting sick—Ponititis is very contagious. Dash is incredulous. First of all, she's never even heard of Ponititis, and second of all, what pony would stay home on Nightmare Nights? Applejack, "You would if you got Ponititis. Trust me." Dash, "Well then it's a good thing I feel fine, because I've got some serious pranking to do."

EXT. PONYVILLE – NIGHT

Later, Dash, Applejack, and Rarity escort the CMCs to go trick or treating. They come to a house and Dash ducks around a corner to prepare a prank she's got for the whole crew. But when Dash pops back out to do the prank, the door to the house opens to reveal a PONY SICK WITH PONITITIS! The sick pony coughs near Dash and she freaks out. "Whoa, keep those germs to yourself, buster. I can't get sick. I've got a busy schedule of pranking to take care of."

As they move on Dash turns to Applejack, shaken, "You weren't kidding. Ponitis looks awful. Did you see how many feathers he'd lost?" While the CMCs go up to the next house, Rarity explains that the symptoms are different depending on the kind of pony you are: lost feathers for Pegasi, swollen horns for Unicorns, and cracked and sore hooves for Earth Ponies. When the CMCs return, Sweetie Belle turns to Dash and her horn is super swollen. Dash reels back afraid of being touched. She doesn't want to get sick and ruin her night. Applejack points out that Sweetie Belle's been hanging out with them all night! Dash is probably already be sick. Off Dash FREAKING OUT we end the act.

END ACT ONE**ACT TWO****EXT. PONYVILLE – NIGHT**

Resume on trick or treating as RY takes SB home. Dash is still up in arms. "You mean I've been hanging out with an infected pony this whole time?" AJ, "I told you we might have to take it easy tonight. A Ponitis outbreak is nothing to sneeze at." Dash reassures herself. She feels fine. But no more knocking on doors. That's where all the sick ponies are. She convinces everypony to head straight to the festival.

EXT. PONYVILLE – FESTIVAL – NIGHT

The group moves on to the festival. Dash puts the trick or treating business behind her and is super charged up to participate in all the fun activities. As the others wander off to enjoy the festival, Dash prepares to deliver on her pranking promises.

EXT. PONYVILLE – FESTIVAL – COSTUME CONTEST – NIGHT

There's a costume contest and Dash executes an involved prank on the winner (involving a lot of close contact), only to discover that when the winning pony removes their mask—they've got PONITITIS. Dash freaks out.

EXT. PONYVILLE – FESTIVAL – CARNIVAL GAMES – NIGHT

Dash plays the carnival games and tries to prank the other players, but then discovers that one of the ponies playing—has PONITITIS! They’ve all been handling the same bean bags, or balls, or a third funnier thing! Dash freaks out. Who’s running these games? Have they been sanitizing the equipment?

EXT. PONYVILLE – FESTIVAL – TOWN SQUARE – NIGHT

Everypony gathers in the center of town as Twilight shows up to tell the story of Nightmare Moon. Dash couldn’t be more excited—to prank them all, but just as Dash is about to pop out and scare everypony, Twilight sneezes right on her. Dash freaks out. Does Twilight have Ponititis? DOES EVERYPONY? Dash looks around at the crowd. Every pony she sees might be sick and they’re all trying to touch her. (in this moment we’ll make it clear that we’re in Dash’s POV, like she sees them all as zombies). Dash freaks out. Fluttershy asks her, “Are you feeling all right? Maybe you should go home and get some rest.”

END ACT TWO**ACT THREE****EXT. PONYVILLE – TOWN SQUARE – NIGHT**

Dash tells them all that she feels fine, it’s everypony else who is sick. All the sick ponies should just head home so all the well ponies can carry on with the night (and get pranked by her). Twilight agrees. In fact, her horn feels a little swollen. She starts to gather up all the sick ponies to lead them home. Dash gets nervous with how many sick ponies there are and takes off on her own. She doesn’t want to have anything to do with the sickies and she still has to set up her super awesome prank at the Nightmare Moon statue during the candy offering.

EXT. FOREST – CLEARING – NIGHT

In the woods alone, Dash arrives at the Nightmare Moon statue to get ready for her awesome prank, but she’s still a bit freaked by all the sickness. She wonders if there will be anypony left to prank. Just then Luna arrives for her annual scary appearance and Dash is all, “Yeah, yeah. Save it for the foals.” But then there’s a flash of lightning revealing that Luna, herself, has—PONITITIS!

EXT. EVERFREE FOREST – NIGHT

Dash runs off in a blind panic. She comes across more sick ponies, in fact all the ponies who were supposed to be heading home. They all stumble toward her—it’s the zombie apocalypse moment for real!

They all close in. Applejack tells Dash there's no escape. It's certain that now she'll be too sick to pull off her pranks. Dash tells her she doesn't care about the pranks anymore, she just doesn't want to get sick. She doesn't care if she never pull off another prank again. Fluttershy, "That's all we wanted to hear." With that, the other Mane 5 reveal there's no such thing as Ponititis. It was all a prank and the whole town was in on it. Dash starts to tell them it wasn't cool, but Twilight stops her. "Come on, it was all in good fun. Right?" Dash gets it. Pranking is fun with willing participants, but she shouldn't try to scare ponies just to scare them. Her pranking had gotten out of hand and she apologizes. Now that she knows what it feels like on the receiving end, she'll be a little more considerate. And she has to admit, her friends pulled off a pretty awesome prank. She'll have to work hard to top it—as long as everypony is cool with that.

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