



CHANTRY CHATTER

FOR STUDENTS BY STUDENTS

TRICK OR TREATING SAFELY

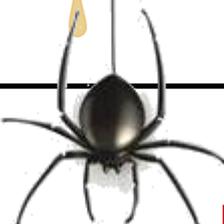
By Andreea Buzila

Are you thinking of going out and trick or treating this Halloween? If your answer is yes, then there are some things you may want to consider ensuring that you have a fun and safe night.

Trick or treating is considered a tradition on Halloween night, it is an amusing thing to do with your family, friends and whoever else you want to invite along with you! However, it is always important to recall the importance of safety and make sure to be vigilant about what dangers might be lurking around the corner and remember, always be mindful of other people whilst trick or treating.

What makes trick or treating so dangerous?

It can't be that unsafe, right? Even though you may not think it, there are many things that you should look out for when trick or treating that could potentially endanger you or others around you. Last year there were reports of harmful substances (here in the UK) being snuck into goodies that children were going to feast upon after collecting them on a night out whilst trick or treating so be sure to check for any of these things before you consume anything you've collected: whether the wrappers are tampered with, the sweets (especially big brands like Haribo's) are the same color and same shape as they usually would be, if the sweets have a peculiar smell, do they taste like they usually would, and do you know the person that's giving you the goodies. If you spot any of these things, immediately but carefully, dispose of the sweets that you have been given. To further ensure that your protected from any risks you should also consider: going trick or treating with a larger group of peers or a trusted adult, going out earlier to avoid being out when it gets too dark and staying in a local area or an area you recognize as to not get disorientated or confused as to where you should go.



EVENTS TO VISIT THIS HALLOWE'EN

By Gabriela Horia

Colchester Zoo Shriek Week –

Has a range of activities. Halloween trail is included in the price however other things such as face painting, pumpkin carving and other Halloween crafts cost a bit more. The trail of horror takes place from 6:30 onwards. Tickets cost £20. The rest of the zoo is closed. Open from 22 –30th October from 9:30am costing £18.04.

Halloween Trail at Nowton Park, Bury St Edmunds - It is open weekends from 19- 27th October 10am- 3:30pm. Tickets cost £1, and the walk takes approximately 2 hours for children over 2.

Epping Ongar Railway Halloween event in Essex- ride on a steam hauled ghost train. Before boarding, collect an activity, pack, and watch out for spooky characters on board who will scare and entertain. Look out for ghosts and admire the graves. Adults- £16 Children- £10 under 3's free. 27- 31st of October.

Pleasurewood Chills- 19- 27th October under 12's

What else?

Is trick or treating not your thing? A survey was recently taken by 109 people who were asked the question "should people go trick or treating" 72 people said yes whilst 36 people thought that there were other things to do rather than go out trick or treating, and there are! If you don't want to go trick or treating here are some other ideas to have a fun night in without needing to go out. One idea is to have a scary movie night or marathon with your companions, it's a fun way to spend the night but don't watch movies that are too scary. Would you rather fancy some baking? Cookies, muffins, cakes, there is an endless selection as to what you could bake and decorate and turn into fantastic spooky treats. Having a Halloween themed sleepover is a great idea to spend the night too and always remember there's always the option of giving out scrumptious sweets to the people that are out trick or treating.



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Visit Suffolk.police.uk to download a poster to indicate whether you will be welcoming trick or treaters this Hallowe'en.

"Have fun but respect each other"

Suffolk Police

HALLOWE'EN BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

By Nellie Cavill

Halloween approaches which provides us an ideal opportunity to bring out some spine-tingling stories as a build up to the holiday or even a substitute for traditional celebrations such as trick or treating. Below are some Halloween classics, favourites, and recommendations.



Classics:

[Frankenstein](#)

Author: Mary Shelley

Originally published: 1st of January 1818

Genres: Horror fiction, Goth fiction, Science fiction

Rating: 82% of people liked this book

Frankenstein is a classic gothic read which makes it perfect for Halloween. It's a thrilling novel written by Mary Shelley that has engrossed readers for over 2 centuries. The tale is a brilliant blend of science fiction, mystery, and thriller to "curdle your blood." In the book we meet a driven Victor Frankenstein that chases his mad dream of creating a creature from dead body parts. As the

story deepens, it becomes a tragedy which even though it was first written in 1818, Shelley's grotesque and surreal imagery still captivates us today and is a perfect classic that everybody must read at least once.

[Dracula](#)

Author: Bram Stoker

Originally published: 26th of May 1897

Genres: Horror fiction, Goth fiction, Fantasy fiction

Rating: 85% of people liked this book

Dracula is a gothic horror novel by Bram Stoker where we meet Jonathin Harker who is a newly qualified solicitor who has been gifted an opportunity to progress in his career if he travels to Transylvania to meet the cur-

rent owner of a castle – Count Dracula – to sell him a house in England. At first glance, Dracula may appear welcoming but as the story goes force it gradually feels more enclosing and less and less so welcoming.

Favourites:

Coraline

Author: Neil Gaiman

Originally published: 2nd of July 2002

Genres: Horror fiction, Children's literature, Fairy tale, Fantasy fiction, Dark fantasy, Paranormal fiction

Rating: 96% of people liked this book

The story of Coraline unfolds as a young girl moves into a new house with her parents but her dull life is quickly turned around as she finds a small door where she finds a world that's so similar to her own (only better) but as the story progresses this lovely appearing reality becomes trapping and a thrilling book to find yourself engrossed in.

Harry Potter

Author: J.K Rowling

Originally published: 26th of June 1997

Genre: Fantasy

Rating: 51% of people liked this book

Harry Potter is a story that many enjoy and can be read (and or watched) around multiple seasons of the year. However, it's best to watch during the Halloween and Christmas season due to its witchy characters and various spells and magic throughout the books. Harry Potter is perfect to read as it's numerous books within the series can take you (quite likely) up to Christmas as another great season for the books to be read in. In the books we meet Harry Potter who finds himself to be a wizard and goes to school at Hogwarts where him and his friend's learn wizardry but as "you know who" (Voldemort) is rumoured to have returned, Harry and his friends find themselves in buckets of danger.

Recommendations:

Six of Crows

Author: Leigh Bardugo

Originally published: 5th of June 2012

Genre: Young adult fiction, Fantasy fiction

Rating: 95% of people liked this book

Six of Crows isn't a particularly Halloween-y novel but it's involvement in magic makes it a terrific book to read for the holiday. This is the first book in the Grishaverse series and is followed by Crooked Kingdom (another great read). The story is based around a thiev-

ing crew and Kaz Brekker attempting to pull off an impossible heist in this criminal prodigy of retrieving a hostage whose knowledge of magic could change the Grishaverse forever.

The Raven and Other Poems

Author: Edgar Allan Poe

Originally published: 29th of January 1845

Rating: 88% of people liked this book

If books are less your forte or if you wish for something different, then this poem is a brilliant read. 'The Raven' is a narrative poem that tells of a talking raven's mysterious visit to a distraught lover, tracing the man's slow descent into madness. Edgar Allan Poe is notoriously amazing poet, and this poem doesn't deviate his sequence of epic poems.

HALLOWE'EN JOKES TO MAKE YOU **HOWL** WITH LAUGHTER

When is it back luck to be followed by a black cat?

When you're a mouse!

What kind of monster loves to disco?

The boogiemani!

Why was the jack-o'-lantern afraid to cross the road?

He had no guts!

What do ghosts wear when their eyesight gets blurry?

Spooktacles!

The maker of this product does not want it, the buyer does not use it and the user does not see it. What is it?

Find the answer on the back page!



SPOOKTACTULAR HALLOWE'EN FILM REVIEWS

By Eve Francis

HOCUS POCUS 1993

Director: Kenny Ortega

Writer: Cavid Kirschner, Mick Garris, Neil Cuthbert

Stars: Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker, Kathy Najimy

Genre: Comedy, Family, Fantasy

Hocus pocus follows three comedic villainous sister witches from the 17th century whose been brought back from the dead by a teenage boy. This film is a family friendly for all to love. After moving to Salem, Massachusetts Max Dennison explores an abandoned house with his little sister Dani and their new friend Alison. After rejecting a story Allison, a girl who is superstitious, tells. Max accidentally frees a coven of harmful witches, who lived in the house. Now with the help of a magical cat, the kids must steal the witches' book of spells to stop them from being becoming immortal. This movie has lots of comedic moments that will get the whole family laughing. This movie has lots of iconic hits that will be stuck in your head all year round.

The Addams family 1991

Director Barry Sonnenfeld



Writer Caroline Thomson

Stars The iconic Addams family including Christina Ricci and Anjelica Huston

Genre dark comedy

The Addams family focuses on the lifestyle of an eccentric family living in a monstrous mansion rife with spooky surprises. A little summary: When a man (claiming to be the missing brother of Gomez Addams) arrives at the Addams home, the family is thrilled. However, Morticia starts to expect fraud,

since he cannot remember details from fester's life. With the help of a lawyer Tully, fester manages to get the family kicked out of their home. Gomez realizes the two men are conspiring to play with the Addams family fortune and that he must challenge fester. This movie is for all ages, it has the catchiest main tune you will ever hear.



Hubie Halloween 2020

Director Steven Brill

Writer Adam Sandler and Tim Herlihy

Stars Adam Sandler, Noah Schnapp

Genre comedy, fantasy, mystery/ comedy horror

Hubie Halloween is a great movie to watch if you want to have a bit of mystery but also have a very funny movie experience. A little summary: Its October 31st in Salem and the town's council has devoted a community volunteer Hubert, a kindhearted man, is the object of the town's teens meanest pranks. Hubert ends up finding himself in the middle of a real investigation, FOR A REAL MURDER! This movie is great to watch with youngsters. This film has many well-known actors most you will be able to recognize.



Corpse Bride 2005

Director Tim burton and Mike Johnson

Writer Caroline Thompson, John August, and Pamela Pettler

Stars Johnny Depp and Helena Bonham Carter

Genre fantasy and family

Victor and Victoria have an arranged marriage planned by their families. However, while victor was out in the forest practicing his vows a tree branch becomes a hand that drags him in to a land of death. It belongs to Emily who got murdered after eloping with her love. She wants to marry Victor. Victor must get back above ground before Emily Marries the villainous Barkis Bittern. Corpse Bride is a remarkably interesting movie everyone can watch!



Scary Movie 2000

Director Keenen Ivory Wayans

Writer Shawn W.M.W.B. Johnson

Based on Scream I know what you did last summer

Scary Movie is a funnier retold version of the movie Scream...This boldly fires barbs at the classic scenes from, Scream, The Sixth Sense, The Matrix's, I know what you did last summer and the Blair witch project. Then goes on to mock a whole myriad of teen movie cliches, no matter the genre. This movie is based on the pupils of years 10-11.



S.T.A.L.K.E.R

and how it masters

ATMOSPHERE

By Giuseppe Pinho Zini

As per the request of the great printing factory in the sky, I am forced to deliver a spookier article. So, what could be more terrifying than the crippling thought of suddenly realising that your whole life doesn't matter since you are just one in 7.5 billion. You are not special! No one is special! One day you won't exist. One day nobody will exist. One day the universe will enter a dark age where atoms are so far apart that they cannot react.

Well nothing is worse than an existential crisis, so that's why I'm going to talk about S.T.A.L.K.E.R.



S.T.A.L.K.E.R is a game set a in 'The Zone'. The Zone is just the Chernobyl exclusion zone. GSC Game World, a Ukrainian game development studio, produced and released the game in 13 countries on launch and later on worldwide.

If there is one thing that the S.T.A.L.K.E.R franchise prides itself in, it's atmosphere. Often times you find the world being pale; washed out and devoid of life. The grass looks sick and your clothes dark with dirt. The paint, it peels off the crumbling walls as the rain patters on the shattered windows; Distant gunfire and explosions; A pack of mutated and horribly deformed dogs barking.

Most video games centre around a power fantasy: Halo, DOOM, Skyrim, and God of War. In those games you are **significant**; You are the **main character**; You are **all powerful** and you know that you can probably chop that guy's arm off in less than a second. In S.T.A.L.K.E.R, you are just one person in the zone. One of many others.

Out here you are a S.T.A.L.K.E.R. You are not *the* S.T.A.L.K.E.R. In games like Skyrim for example every time someone meets you they gush about how amazing you are: "Oh yes, you are the Dovakihn! Just for that, I'll give you a discount on these fresh porkchops and potatoes! Now, what else would you like?"

in S.T.A.L.K.E.R...?

"PUT THAT GUN AWAY!" He waits for you to holster your weapon and even then he pauses and stares at you for a few more seconds; awkward silence... Only then does he holster his own. "What do you want, S.T.A.L.K.E.R.?" They don't care, you are a nobody to them. Do *really* you think you're better than that bandit? Or that religious fanatic from the Monolith base nearby? **Ha!** don't make me laugh. It doesn't take long for you to realise that you're just the same as them; insignificant. You're just another unfortunate Ukrainian that found themselves in the zone and is now forced to live with the fact that every moment of your life will be spent in the cold, wet rain, constantly fearing death.

But don't worry, because after that firefight with the military, we can all huddle round the fire and listen to Nikolai's guitar and laugh at how absurd it is that Anya can eat a loaf of bread through her gas mask. Oh and look at that, you've made a friend with Dennis because you got him that can of beans. Oh, but we did lose Boris; He was the best... well, you can rest easy now knowing he's in a better place. The inhumanities of the zone only highlight these brief moments of serenity and peace.

Welcome to the zone, S.T.A.L.K.E.R.

Figure of the month...

TIM BURTON

By Olivia Kennedy

Timothy Walter Burton a.k.a Tim Burton, aged 64, was born on the [25th](#) August 1958 in Burbank, California. He has two children, a son Billy Burton aged 20 and a daughter Nell Burton aged 14.

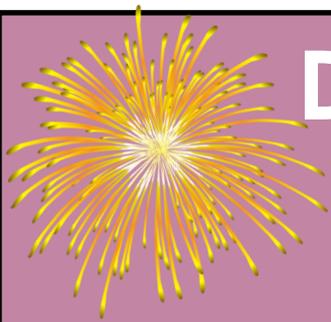


Burton is well known for his gothic, fantasy, and horror films. Many of his extraordinary films are animated. He is a talented American filmmaker, producer, writer, and artist. After gaining critical recognition in the 1980s, Burton became Hollywood royalty in 1990s.

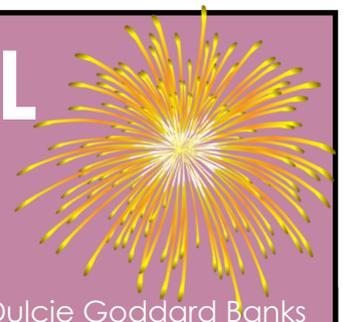


His most notable works include Beetlejuice, Batman, Edward Scissorhands, his most famous movie, and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. Some other movies produced and directed by Tim Burton are: Nightmare before Christmas, Corpse Bride, and Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street.





DIWALI: A FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS



By Dulcie Goddard Banks

Diwali is a Hindu festival that falls in October. It is a religious festival that celebrates light!

It is a huge celebration, observed by hundreds of people over five days in India and other parts of the world like Fiji, Malaysia and Trinidad and Tobago.

Hindus start the Diwali tradition by cleaning their houses, then they gift each other dried fruit and clothes, decorating buildings with fancy lights. It is associated with the Hindu goddess of prosperity, Lakshmi. It marks the beginning of a financial year in India. If you would like to support the celebration of Diwali, you can put lights in your window. Diwali is known as the festival of lights because people decorate their houses with small oil lamps called Diya's.

What is the story of Diwali?

The original story behind Diwali is Ramas return to Ayodhya.

Years ago, there was an epic warrior prince called Rama. He was married to a princess called Sita. A wicked king called Ravana lived near them. He had ten heads and twenty arms! Ravana wanted to make Sita his wife, so he kidnapped her and took her in his carriage, the villagers lit a path for Rama as she made her way back, who had defeated the demon king Ravana.

On the nights of Diwali, you will probably hear lots and lots of fireworks!

Here are some foods people enjoy at Diwali:

Vegetarian Stuffed Aubergines

Daals

Biryani

Freshly fried snacks

It is also celebrated by Sikhs and Jains. People wear garlands of flowers and [put up](#) flowers in their homes because of the Goddess Lakshmi, she was very fond of the lotus flower.

Unfortunately, there are no Diwali events in Ipswich this year. Sadly, the last Diwali event here was in 2013.



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MEET THE teacher

Last issue featured...
Mr Temple-Cox!

Can you guess the teacher from these clues?

What is your favourite thing about Chantry Academy?

The students and the staff. It has a real sense of community; the people are genuine and caring and it is a fun place to be.

What is something you find scary?

Results day! The anticipation is huge! However it is also an interesting and exciting experience to hear from former students and support them with their next steps.

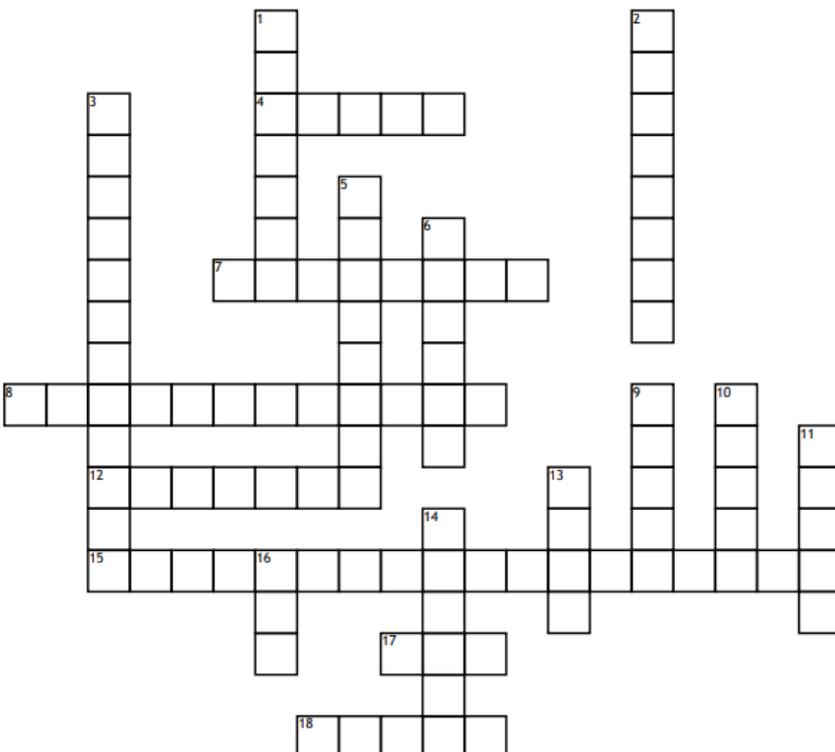
What is your favourite food?

Lemon sorbet and salmon. (Not together!)

Find out who it is in our next issue!

Hallowe'en Crossword

Attempt it if you dare...



Across

- 4. This monster is wrapped in toilet paper or cloth.
- 7. Changes at the sight of the full moon.
- 8. This monster was made with lightning by a crazy scientist.
- 12. What you carve on Halloween.
- 15. This man has scissor for hands.
- 17. This small flying creature was thought to turn into a vampire.
- 18. What you get on Halloween.

Down

- 1. Drinks blood.
- 2. Witches make their brew in this.
- 3. This sticky treat is normally served on a stick.
- 5. Has no flesh is just bones.
- 6. Also known as the living dead.
- 9. Rides a broom.
- 10. Has a red nose and sometimes curly hair with bright colors.
- 11. Also known as spirits.
- 13. Scary black bird.
- 14. Has a staff and usually a beard and a pointy hat.
- 16. This little rodent likes to hangout in a witches house.