



Fyling Hall Matters

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The Ghostly Truth Behind Halloween

Halloween is associated with dressing up as monsters, knocking on door to door asking for sweets, and scary horror films. However it began as something very different.

The first change is the name, it began as Samhain, later changed to All hallows eve, the Christian day before All Saints day.

Halloween originated as a pagan Celtic belief in Britain. It began in the first hundred years of A.D. They believed this was the night when the world of the living and the world of the dead were closest, so demons and evil spirits attacked this world and possess humans. In order to avoid demonic possession they wore disguises and danced around in huge

festivals to confuse the demons.

The practice of 'Trick or Treating' started in the middle ages when children would go to different houses, asking for food in payment for a prayer for the recently deceased. Things have changed since the medieval times now you just have to show up!

On Thursday this week, Fyling Hall stayed true to the old traditions and created ghost walks around the grounds. However, once the spooky fun was over, we ate lots of food to celebrate and enjoy finished the evening off with a good old scary film. So, maybe we weren't that traditional after all!

Corbin Shearing



Tom and Alfie taking part in a music workshop at Whitby's Musicport Festival.

On this week in ...

...1926 Harry Houdini performed his last trick, which later caused his death. Houdini was a Hungarian magician and dramatic escapist was part of a vast international, late 19th century community of magicians, illusionists, circus acrobats and Cancan dancers. Although he gained fame for repeatedly breaking out of hand cuffs, straightjackets, and coffins, he died when he invited a university student to punch him in the stomach to prove his theory that he could withstand any blow. Unfortunately the student proceeded to punch before Houdini could contract his muscles, causing his appendix to burst. Houdini's legacy still continues in the street entertainers and escapologists in cities like York today.

By Connor Asprey

Words of the Week

This week Next week

Tricky: **Careful** **Timid**

Trickier: **Prudent** **Cowardly**

Trickiest: **Judicious** **Pusillanimous**

Sandy Reports...US soldier killed in Iraq by ISIS

The US government have confirmed the first American military casualty of the war against ISIS. The as yet unnamed man was of a special forces unit and he was involved in an operation in Tikrit in Northern Iraq. The operation involved freeing Kurd and Sunni hostages who were held by Isis as they had fought against them for the Iraqi Army. The Pentagon confirmed that dozen of hostages were rescued as ISIS had been threatening to execute them and that "a mass atrocity was averted." Five Isis fighters were captured during the mission.

This is the first American soldier to be killed during the war against ISIS although several American hostages have been killed.

By Sandy Williams

Year 12 Promote Tolerance and Awareness

Flying Hall School places lots of emphasis on its charity work and we support a wide variety of charities, from local organisations like the 'Finlay Cooper Fund', to the 'David Sheldrake Wildlife Trust', where we adopted an elephant named Roi. Each form tutor group normally has a half term to raise money, and next half term Year 12 have chosen to support teenagers who suffer from bullying and victimisation because of their sexuality.

On Wednesday, 12BN organised an assembly to announce the charity that they are going to support for next half term: a charity called 'LGBT'.

LGBT Foundation is a charity which currently offers a wide range of services to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities. They campaign for a fair and equal society where all lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people can achieve their full potential.

As soon as the assembly was finished, 12BN received a spontaneous and warm round of applause for their supportive and tolerant message—a true indicator of the compassionate nature of our FH community.

Sueyan Kim

Netball Match Report

On Thursday 15th October, our U13 netball team played Eskdale. The team lost 4-7 but as it was their second game, this is a good result. I decided to interview the vice-captain of our home team; Phoebe Russell in Year 8 to find out more about the performance. I caught up with Phoebe between classes.

So, Phoebe how do you think your team performed?

As we had only started netball a few weeks before the match I personally think the team played extremely well.

Do you think that there is anything that your team could improve on?

We could definitely improve on our footwork, since most of us, (including me!) move our feet when holding the ball.

Do you like netball?

Of course I like netball! It is a very active and heart-racing sport.

What are the team's aims in the coming games?

We want to focus on our team work and communication skills—we are a bit quiet with each other at the moment.

If you had to sum up the match in one word, what would it be?

Exhilarating!

By Elfie Field and many thanks to Phoebe Russell

The World According to Tom...

you and your reality
T.V.



Pupils enjoying the race track at Teesside Karting.

The Week Ahead

Sunday 1 st	14.00	Boarders return from 2:00pm
Tuesday 3 rd	14.00	U13 Hockey tournament @ Caedmon
Thursday 5 th	9.00	Senior Maths Challenge
Saturday 7 th	9.00	Trip to Wet n Wild
	11.00	1 st XV Rugby v Queen Ethelburga's
		3rds (Away)
Sunday 8 th	10.00	Boarders attend St Stephens

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