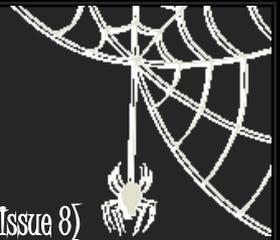




Fyling Hall Matters

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Should Trick or Treating be Banned?



According to a CBBC website, the popular Halloween event, trick or treating could soon be banned. Should trick or treating be banned or kept? One of the arguments against trick or treating is the fact that sometimes costumes are so scary that some older citizens can jump and slam the door in the faces of children. Also your child could knock on the door of a complete stranger and they could kidnap your child, never to be seen again.

Some people think that Halloween is good because little children can get free sweets! They also get a sense of accomplishment when they get well-earned sweets. Experts trace traditions back to when you had to dance for your treats (that must be a bit embarrassing).

Halloween was also called Cabbage Night. Why? Because of a Scottish fortune telling tradition where girls used cabbage stumps to predict their future husbands. Teenagers often skipped the fortune telling and simply went around throwing cabbages at their

neighbour's houses. Studies have also shown that Halloween makes children act more mischievously. One study in particular found out that children wearing costumes were far more likely to steal the candy instead of scaring for it.

As part of our investigations, we asked Josh Buckle about trick or treating being banned. He gave a passionate response about how Halloween is good. Another pupil, Sonny Wilson, went further and said that people should like Halloween because Halloween is a happy time and he feels that people not liking Halloween spoils the atmosphere. However, in contrast, Mrs Banks said that it is sometimes not safe for young children to go out at night on their own, or they should only go to houses of people they know.

So, what do you think? Is Halloween good or is it bad?

James Brine and Tomas Richardson

Cake Sale

On 6th of November the P.T.A arranged a school fundraiser in the form of a cake sale. Unsurprisingly this idea went down well (I know I enjoyed my cake!) The whole idea of the event was to raise money for Frau Dopp's crochet club which has attracted a lot of attention. Luckily the cakes were 50p for one because that's all I had on me. The cake sale was such a triumph the PTA ran out of cakes. I am pleased to say I donated to the cause (by eating cake!) This event raised a whopping £97.50 for Frau Dopp's crochet club.

Toby Richardson

Damon's facts of the week

Space fact: You can't actually see a black hole, but scientists can detect them from how the way they affect other objects.

Insect fact: Insects don't have arteries or vessels, instead their organs bath in a pool of blood.

Animal fact: Vampire bats don't bite or suck blood, they just lick open wounds.

Human body fact: There are monsters living inside us! They're called bacteria and they help us digest food, but some types of bacteria cause serious diseases.

Technology fact: The first apple logo featured Sir Isaac Newton sitting underneath a tree, with an apple about to hit his head.

World fact: A traffic jam lasted 10 days, with cars moving at only 0.6 miles per hour.

Random fact: bananas are curved because they grow towards the sun.

Damon Kelly

Words of the Week

This week Next week

Tricky: **Friendly** **Provoke**

Trickier: **Gracious** **Incite**

Trickiest: **Benevolent** **Exacerbate**

Apple Bobbing



Who would have thought that grabbing apples out of a barrel full of water with nothing but your mouth would be so difficult? The students who found themselves drenched from head to toe at the end of the Halloween night did!

The group that was able to grab the most apples in less than ten minutes won the challenge, and on our Halloween evening this was Harrison Langton's group, who managed to achieve a score of 105 apples! Even though by doing this myself I ended up freezing beyond belief, I found it quite enjoyable watching other people apple bobbing. In particular seeing that some people have a hidden talent for such a skill, whereas others... well, we can at least appreciate their determination to succeed!

Connor Asprey

Team Leading



As a team leader at the Halloween night, I have to say watching my team attempt the trust exercise (which entailed guiding your blindfolded partner through a bench and chair maze) had to be one of my favourite things to watch; it was hilarious! And to up the difficulty of the exercise, the guide was only allowed to use sound to explain the course to the blindfolded victim.

We very quickly learnt that a majority of my team didn't know their left from right, which led to some very funny and incredibly panicked shouts and screams as the clock ticked on. Overall, it was a brilliant night and was topped off when my team were declared winners for the night.

Ailsa Legg

Into the Woods



The ghost walk was one of the many activities that the Halloween party entailed. It consisted of a very eerie walk in the woods, the destination unknown. Eventually, after much stumbling over roots and plants cloaked by the darkness and being terrified by bloodcurdling screams, you reached a campfire in the middle of a clearing. Sitting at it, telling two spine chilling stories, was Henry. To strike even more fear into the hearts of the children, there were sixth formers hiding in the forest surrounding the fire, punctuating Henry's stories with sound effects. This added depth and creepiness to the terrifying tales. It was, in my opinion, the best activity of the evening. Better even than the feast at the end!

Sophie Ferrer

Mummy Wrap Competition

One of the competitions was a mummy wrap competition. In this, you have to wrap up one of your team in toilet roll within a certain time limit. The mummy who looks the best wins. Our team only just managed to wrap our mummy up in time and there was certainly no time to make it neat!

Freddie Elson

Halloween Account



On Tuesday 31st October there was a Halloween evening at school. During the night there were many activities held. Personally my favourite was the blindfolded maze. The activity began by putting us into pairs, one blindfolded. The other had to lead them through a maze to the end in the shortest amount of time. I enjoyed this because I found it very entertaining and a great way to get people to work together.

Phoebe Russell

Hand-in-the-Bag Task



At Halloween we had a creepy evening which consisted of 6 tasks. One of them was the hand in bag task. We entered the dining hall. On one table were 5 bin bags we were told that in the five bags there was nothing alive and we had to guess what was in them. I quickly observed the 6th bag and questioned what was in it I was told it was alive. Our team captain, Connor, selected six people and my request to guess the sixth bag was granted. Oaklie went first and soon guessed oats. The next person was Kyra she put her hand into the dark depths of bag number 2. Err its wet and slimy she exclaimed the bag was emitting a strawberry scent is it jelly she queried. She was correct.

Joseph Salt

A Happy Halloween

The evening was a great success, with students from all ages having fun and getting involved and working well in teams. The sixth form and staff volunteered to manage the event and were pleased with how the night went.

Special thanks to Head Girl Isabella Clements, who planned the majority of the night and all the sixth formers and members of staff who got involved. The majority of students dressed for the occasion, with some truly horrific costumes being on display. The only question that remains is: will next year's Halloween event be just as successful?

Jack Dudley



Halloween Photos of the Week



An extra special thank you to our Head Girl, Isabella Clements, for arranging the whole evening along with the help of her team of prefects and Miss Gilmour.

The Culture of Sport at Fyling Hall

For quite a long time I was confused as to why my school takes sport so seriously; coming here I absolutely despised sport and dodged it at every chance I got. Don't get me wrong, I've not suddenly become an aspiring Olympian, but on Wednesday I played in my first rugby match as a member of the Fyling Hall first team. And... I suppose I get it now, the passion, the adrenaline, the sheer excitement of it all that grips everyone so strongly that the coaches forget to keep track of the score.

On Wednesday the 8th our first team played against Scarborough College, losing 36 to 27. As cliché as this may sound, I don't think anyone really minded that we lost, because we tried our best and had fun. Everyone who was there watching could tell you, the whole team acted and played as if they genuinely wanted to be there and wanted to win and there were some truly excellent plays (allegedly I've never played this sport before I'm just going off what Mr Coates and Justin said!)

A particular standout try came from one of our international pupils, a German lad by the name of Jonas Borner in Year 12. There's something primally satisfying about watching a member of your team quite literally run straight through everyone on the opposing side. At one moment in the game our team scored a team try, finished off by Harry Foster in Year 11, which Mr Coates has described as: *"One of the greatest tries I've seen in the last ten years at schoolboy level."* Every player on

the team touched the ball at least once leading up to it; we totally avoided any tackles or rucks and there was an overall atmosphere and confidence and co-ordination that are rather new to our First Team! Man of the match went to Roberto Matos in Year 13 for great line breaks and overall excellent play.

While Rugby is very much a treasured past-time there's a lot of emphasis on other sports and physical activity as well. On Tuesday several students took part in a cross country race held at Duncombe Park. Standout performances came from Luca Park in Year 7 as well as Sophie Ferrer and Fran Sutterby in Year 9; who got 3rd, 7th and 8th places respectively. This is especially impressive considering the top 10 go through to represent Scarborough at District Level.

Also on Wednesday the Under 13 Girls played a district Hockey Tournament held at Caedmon College in Whitby, losing two matches, drawing one and winning one.

I am a firm believer that exercise is an integral part of a healthy lifestyle and it really does help to build confidence and teamwork ability to play competitively with a team. Plus, it's just a lot of fun sometimes. It's nice to know that our tiny school can accomplish some genuinely big things when we're passionate about sport, which we increasingly are.

Damilare Williams-Shires



We Shall Remember

On Friday this week, the whole school gathered on the flagstones to remember those men and women who have given, and continue to give their lives in the armed forces. As well as the silence, there were emotional readings from 6 of our pupils, followed by a haunting rendition of The Last Post, recorded for the occasion by ex pupil Konrad Luedecke.



Photos of Main House captured by Miss Anders



Photography Club

Miss Mansfield will be starting a Photography Club next week on Mondays (4.30 – 5.30). It is open to students in Year 9 and above. Interested photographers must bring their own camera or smartphone and a USB cable to download the images.

Bowling Trip

On Saturday some of our pupils went ice skating followed by bowling or the cinema (to watch Thor). The girls enjoyed practising their bowling techniques and although Louisa started off slowly she had 3 strikes in her second game thereby clinching that game, followed hotly on her heels by Ola. Eve won the first game, which was a closer match between them all.

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Josh's Rants - Swiftly to Christmas

Another annoying thing is that the Christmas decorations go up too early; there is no reason to put them up now. Can people not wait until at least the end of November?

No, they go up just after the start of October. I know lots of people think that there is no reason to put them up and they don't buy them until the start of December. I looked up people's opinions on the internet and 86% of people say that November is too early for Christmas - so it's not just me. I believe that starting Christmas too early means that when Christmas comes around, we get bored of it.

Josh Buckle

The Week Ahead

Sat	11 th	11:00am	U13, 15, 1st XI Hockey v Queen Ethelburga's (away)
Sun	12 th	10:00am	Remembrance Sunday Church service at St Stephen's
Mon	13 th	2:30pm	U13 Hockey v Red House (Away)
Tues	14 th	2:30pm	U13 Rugby v Scarborough College (Away)
Wed	15 th	4:00pm	U14 Rugby Festival @ Malton Rugby Club
		4:00pm	U13 Basketball @ CCW
Thur	16 th	1:30pm	Year 10 Hockey Partnership Tournament @ LLS
Sat	18 th	1:30pm	Trip to Alpamare

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