



# HALTON LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER 03

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### Halloween Disco

Mrs Urmson has kindly agreed to run two Halloween Discos – one for the infants and a second for the juniors – next week on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Both events will also be supervised by members of the teaching staff at school.

With Halloween being the first day back after half term, we have decided to hold these discos before half term, as we imagine that most of our pupils will be up late, trick or treating, when we return to school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October (and then will be looking forward to attending a bonfire or firework display at the end of that week).

If you have a child in the infants, you are invited to come into school at the end of the school day, next Monday, to help them to get changed into their Halloween costume. Once they are ready, they will be able to go into the school hall and you can then take their school clothes and bag home. They can be collected from the school playground at 16:15. (If they are able to get themselves changed, then they can simply bring their costume into school to change into at the end of the school day).

**Please be aware: There will be NO after school football club on Monday next week – this will restart after half term.** All other clubs, will run as normal next week!

If you have a child in the juniors, they will go home as normal at the end of the school day. They can arrive and enter the school hall – via the hall doors – at 16:30. They must then be collected from the hall doors – by an adult (over 16) – at 17:30.

As this is a school event, we kindly request that all costumes are age appropriate – and do not include characters from 15 or 18 horror films. The cost of the ticket (£2) will include a drink and some treats – so there is no need to send in any extra money. There will be prizes to be won – but nothing to buy!

**In order for your child to attend, you must purchase a 'ticket', via School Spider, before 4pm today!** This will allow us to buy the correct quantity of drinks, treats and prizes.

### Upcoming Events

#### **From Monday 31 October until Friday 11 November The Royal British Legion POPPY APPEAL**

We will have some poppies on sale, each day, in the run up to Remembrance Sunday – when we return to school after half term. We are suggesting a minimum donation of 20p per poppy, should any child wish to buy one of these. As we have a collecting tin for any money donated, these can be purchased using cash!

#### **Fri 18 Nov Children In Need**

We can confirm that on this day, the children will be invited to come into school in their pyjamas and take part in a dance session in the school hall. We will be inviting all families to make a £1 donation, via School Spider, which will be donated to Children In Need. However, if any child (or family) wishes to raise any extra money for this amazing charity, Mrs Urmson has some sponsor forms – in case any child wishes to get sponsored from their family and friends to wear their pyjamas in school. We do not have any merchandise

to sell this year – so please consider purchasing anything extra you may want whenever you see it for sale in the shops.

#### **Fri 25 Nov Non-Uniform Day**

In order to enable us to put together a series of coloured hampers, so we can have a school Christmas Hamper Raffle, we are inviting the children to come to school on 25<sup>th</sup> November – not wearing their school uniform – in return for bringing in a hamper prize.

If your child is in:

- Bridge could you please bring in something RED/ORANGE
- Castle could you please bring in something BLUE / PURPLE
- Mersey could you please bring in something GREEN / LIME
- Priory could you please bring in something YELLOW / GOLD

If you are really struggling to find something the colour that matches the house that your child is in, please consider donating something WHITE / SILVER instead.

This will, hopefully, allow us to assemble FIVE amazing hamper prizes that we will raffle off during the final 2-3 weeks of the Autumn term – in the run up to Christmas. *We may also be using some of the donations for our Bingo prizes so there will not be an extra fundraising event in order to put the Bingo event on (see below) – as we are aware that family budgets are tight at this moment in time.*

#### **Mon 5 Dec Christmas Bingo at 6pm**

The PTA will be holding a Christmas Bingo – in the school hall – on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December. If you like playing bingo – or wish to support the school raise extra funds – please keep this date free.

### National Sleep Helpline

Hopefully you will already be aware of the National Sleep Helpline – a wonderful free resource that can help parents and children to learn more about their sleep and develop better bedtime routines. Sleep is essential to brain function. By helping children to sleep better, we can help them to succeed in school too.

However, in response to caller feedback, they have recently changed their opening hours to include a morning session.

