Halloween

Halloween is on 31st October. It’s the day before ‘All Saints Day’ on 1st November and it’s a very old festival. Its origins are Celtic and its name is from the old festival ‘All Hallows Eve’.

There are lots of fancy dress parties at Halloween. Ghost, vampire and witch costumes are very popular. Houses and gardens are full of skeletons, ghosts, black cats, spiders and other Halloween decorations. There are a lot of Halloween games, rhymes and traditions.
A popular Halloween game is apple bobbing. Play the apple bobbing game! Put the apples in the water. Use your mouth to remove the apples. Don’t use your hands!
A Halloween tradition is the Jack O’Lantern. A Jack O’Lantern is a pumpkin with a face. It’s got a candle in it. It protects your house from bad spirits on Halloween night.

**Make a Jack O’Lantern**

1. Remove the top of the pumpkin.

2. Remove the contents.

3. Cut a face in the pumpkin.

4. Put a candle in the pumpkin.
Trick or Treat? is another popular Halloween tradition. A ‘trick’ is a bad joke and ‘treats’ are chocolates or sweets!

Fun at Halloween!

‘There’s a Halloween party at our school with witches, ghosts and monsters! There are sweets and games. There’s also music and a disco.’