

CHELTENHAM EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Halloween Festival

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Welcome to the first Bulletin for Cheltenham East Primary School's fantastic Halloween Festival. The event date is Saturday October 28th ... and our stalls and attractions will be themed around Harry Potter, Hogwarts and all things Halloween!

This edition is to let you know about the planning and organisation that is underway. Our Festival team is already hard at work, thinking about ways to make the event wonderful, and to help our children and families enjoy a great day. The Festival is our school's biggest fundraising event of the year! We're striving to raise money for great improvements like complete shade sale coverage for the playgrounds, a new fence, outdoor security lighting, landscaping and more. We hope to see the whole community come together to give our kids the best possible start to their education.

We will need everyone's help to make this event a success, and we look forward to plenty of participation on what will be a great day for Cheltenham East Primary.

The Rides!

It wouldn't be a Festival without carnival rides – and we have a super selection booked. Our next bulletin will update you on what the rides are, and tell you how to purchase your wristbands for all-day riding fun!



The Stalls!

We have a great array of Harry Potter-themed stalls planned. There'll be Plants, Cakes, Sweets, Bric-a-Brac, Second-Hand Books, Costumes & Clothing, Wands, Bath & Beauty, Showbags and much more. "Disly Delights" will have amazing cupcakes to enjoy.

We will feature different stalls in each Festival Bulletin, so that you know what to look forward to!



Our Sponsors!

We're delighted to welcome 24/7 Dental as our first Gold Sponsor. They will be offering a special service to our Festival guests ... more about this next Bulletin!



Also, big thanks to our first Festival Friends:



Inflatable World
Oakleigh

Abby's Way Celebrations

The Makers Market!

Come and enjoy the Great Hall Makers Market, where we'll have a range of stalls offering arts, crafts and other handmade items. Try your hand at creating some beautiful artwork with "Spot of Yellow", and bid on some lovely original prizes in the Market's Silent Auction.

Like to have a stall? Click [here](#) to let us know!



The Sideshows!

Yes, there will be sideshows! Test your skill (and maybe even win a special prize) at Professor Snape's Potion Toss, The Witches Brew, Pumpkin Pop, Splat-The-Rat, Snake Pit Chocolate Lob, and more. OR have a go at tipping some of your favourite teachers (or Headmaster!) into cold, cold water in the Dunk Tank!

The Animals!

Myuna Farm Animal Ark are bringing a cute selection of farmyard animals and fluffy friends to meet and pet. Also, A & A Wildlife will be at the Festival with an amazing display of Australian reptiles and native animals, including lizards, snakes, a crocodile and even a Sugar Glider! This will be a great opportunity to see some Fantastic Beasts up close!



The Food!

We have lots of great eating options planned, including pizza, ice-cream and BBQ - more exciting information on our food vendors will be provided in upcoming bulletins. There'll be yummy drinks too ... make yourself a healthy fruit smoothie by pedalling a Smoothie Bike, or enjoy a delicious Butterbeer!



Don't forget your costume!

It's a Halloween Festival, and all our guests are encouraged to dress up in their spookiest outfits. We'll have costume parades during the day, plus roving judges handing out spot prizes to the best dressed. It's never too early to start thinking about what you're going to wear!



How can I get involved in the Halloween Festival?

We're very glad you asked!

Each Grade will be involved in helping to set up and run one of our stalls. In the near future, class reps will be in touch to explain what you can do to help to make each one a success.

If you would like to get involved with the Festival committee; have an idea for a stall, entertainment or attraction; would like to run a stall in the main Festival or Makers Market; or have any suggestions – please let us know [here](#). You can also email us at cepsfestival@gmail.com, or contact **Toni Henson (0497 116 440)** or **Hannah Hawkes (0403 864 324)**. We will be delighted to let you know how you can help, and what you can do to make the Halloween Festival exciting, fun and memorable!

We need your Second-Hand Donations!

If you are sorting out cupboards, de-cluttering rooms, and sifting through unwanted stuff, then please keep in mind that a gang of enthusiastic Festival collectors are willing to take it off your hands!

Please keep any donations aside for now, and we'll shortly be providing information about how to donate (when we have somewhere to store everything!). ***We need good-quality items in the following categories:***

Costumes and Fancy Clothing

Costume jewellery, hats, fascinators, gloves, scarves; kids & adults dress-up costumes; animal onsies; any fancy, retro, sparkly or vintage clothing, etc.



Bric-a-Brac

Ornaments, knick-knacks, toys, small tools, kitchen items, glassware, silverware, linen, frames, garden ornaments, sports gear, etc.



Soft toys

Unwanted soft toy animals for our "Magical Menagerie" adoption stall



Join our Bunting Brigade

Even if you're not really a sewer, you can still help with cutting or pinning ... we need lots of bunting to make our stalls look fabulous. Donations of fabric will be gratefully accepted too!

Equipment call-out

If anyone either owns, or has access to, equipment that could be used on Festival day, please let us know. All loaned items will be carefully tagged with the owner's details, and returned promptly afterwards. We're currently looking for:

- ❖ Marquees
- ❖ Market Umbrellas & Stands
- ❖ Trestle Tables

That's all for this Bulletin ... more exciting Festival News will be coming soon!

If you have any enquiries, please contact the Festival Team on cepsfestival@gmail.com