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Dear Families

### School Events – Halloween and Guy Fawkes

A reminder that on **Friday 20 October 2023** there will be a non-school uniform day at Stowmarket High School.

There will be a Halloween theme running in school and we would like to encourage students to become involved in this by wearing themed clothing but request that there are no props brought into school. Additionally, we will run a pumpkin carving competition, all those who would like to enter should bring their carved pumpkins to the atrium in the morning. Judging will take place and there will be prizes for the winners.

During non-uniform days we ask parents/carers to check the appropriateness of a child's dress before they leave for school. There should be no rude or inappropriate slogans/pictures on tops and any tops need to cover the whole midriff area. Very short shorts/skirts will not be suitable. Hats or caps may be worn but must be taken off when in the school building. We also relax our rules on jewellery for the day.

Additionally, we are running a **new event this year with a Guy Fawkes theme**. Students have the opportunity to work on their own or in small teams to create an effigy of Guy Fawkes or another suitable character. Traditionally an effigy is made with tights stuffed with paper and then clothed and decorated. Students may use lunch time in school to work on their design or can create their effigy at home, ensuring they bring it in on the morning of **Friday 3 November 2023**. More information will be shared with your child in form time.

If you have any questions, please contact me on [c.ferguson@stowhigh.com](mailto:c.ferguson@stowhigh.com)

Yours sincerely

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