

Gartree High School

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28th October 2016

Dear parent/carer,

Welcome back after our October half-term break. We have a busy half-term ahead of us, eight weeks in total, and we have already had the superb entertainment at Thursday's Halloween concert. This involved a considerable number of our students, mostly those in Years 6 and 7 who are relatively new to the school. The performance included a diverse range of entertaining songs and instruments: clarinet, cello, tabla, oboe, piano, flute, sitar and steel pans all featured, as did the hearty voices of the singing club and our peerless dancers! The enthusiasm from our students was impressive and their support for each other is always a pleasure to see. Well done to everybody involved in the performance and thank you to the many parents and friends who joined us for this event.

Over the next couple of weeks, families and friends will be celebrating Diwali and Bonfire Night. If you are planning to celebrate with fireworks, you may find the following guidance helpful to keep everybody safe. <http://www.rospa.com/home-safety/advice/fireworks-safety/>

Looking ahead, the temperature outside is changing and I would like to remind you that students should wear their Gartree sweatshirts in and around school. Outdoor coats are advisable for break and lunchtime. Although the clocks change this weekend, seasonal change will reduce visibility and foggy conditions will be more likely on the way to and from school. I advise all students coming to school on bikes to consider this carefully and to use lights and safe routes throughout their journey.

Year 7 have a visit to the Natural History Museum on Monday 7th November. They will see many exhibits, including the human body, planet earth and the dinosaur exhibitions. Please note that the trip will return from London at approximately 7.30 pm.

I would like to wish all of you a most enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Singleton'.

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