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TOO GHOUL FOR SCHOOL

OUR GUIDE TO A HALLOWE'EN HALF TERM

LOOKING for a way to keep your little horrors out of hubble bubble, toil and trouble this Hallowe'en half term?

Or perhaps you fancy having your own socks scared off as well as the kids'.

Look no further – here we reveal the most hair-raising holiday events in the UK.

SCREAM PARKS: Start the fun early with **ALTON TOWERS'** Scarefest, from October 17 to November 2 with a range of eerie events. Under-tens can take in the Haunting Of Algenon's Attic show and over-14s can scare themselves senseless in the Terror Of The Towers as well as enjoying the park's exciting rides after dark.

Make a spellbinding night of it by booking into a Trick Or Treat room at the Alton Towers Hotel. Call 0871 222 1644 or visit altontowers.com for more details.

CREEPY CASTLES: Get a royal spooking at **BOLEBROKE CASTLE** in Hartfield, East

Sussex. Once home to Henry VIII, this hunting lodge now accommodates a host of ghosts including a headless woman, believed to be Anne Boleyn.

A one-night stay on November 1 is from £140 per person including dinner and breakfast. Call Haunting Breaks on 01686 668 649 or see hauntingbreaks.co.uk.

You can become a ghost detective at the Lake District's **MUNCASTER CASTLE**... if you dare!

From October 26 to November 2, join torchlight tours and hunt out paranormal lodgers at the castle, *below*, including the 400-year-old Tom Fool – a former jester who still finds time to wreak havoc – and the

White Lady or "Boggle" whose spirit haunts gardens.

Hallowe'en week also features child-friendly activities with face painting and much more at the town's ghostly grotto. Kids in scary fancy dress get discounts and free entry to some attractions.

For a full rundown of events and prices visit muncaster.co.uk or call 01229 717 614.

OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD OUTINGS: Wander deep into the Chamber Of Horrors at **MADAME TUSSAUDS** in London for the horrifying new Scream experience. Live your worst nightmare and enter a top-security prison, brought to life by actors.

You can join in the madness from October 25 to November 2. Prices are from £12.50 per person. See madametussauds.com/london or ring 0870 400 3000.

From October 18 to November 2 children can become wizards' apprentices on Secret Spell Flights on the **LONDON EYE**.

Kids will solve magical clues to help cast a spell to keep the city safe. As well as mysterious moonlit views, a Hallowe'en commentary will reveal mystical tales about the capital. Call 0870 5000 600 or visit londoneye.com.

Raise the heat at **GLASGOW SCIENCE CENTRE's** family party, where you can watch fire-eaters and get involved in more traditional activities such as apple bobbing and a crazy costume competition.

The party takes place between 6.30am and 9.30pm on October 31.

Purple hotels are offering Glasgow rooms at a ghost of a price – £49 a night from October 22 to November 2.

Visit purplehotels.co.uk or call 08444 823 823 for details.

TERROR-RIFIC TRIPS: Have ghoulish fun at **HAVEN HOLIDAY PARKS**. Kids will love the Zombie Magical Parades, Frightening Fancy Dress, Ghost Trails, plus all Haven's regular activities.

Book four-night breaks on October 13 and 20 for a family of up to four from £99. Call 0871 230 1900 or visit haven.com.

Head to Shakespeare country to meet a

horsey horror who haunts the grounds at the **BARCELO WALTON HALL HOTEL** in Stratford-upon-Avon.

The pale steed gallops in the gardens while a spectral young man, believed to be its rider, occupies the hotel building.

Prices for one-night B&B start at £77 per person, based on two sharing. Call 0800 090 1021 or visit unpackaged.com.

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