

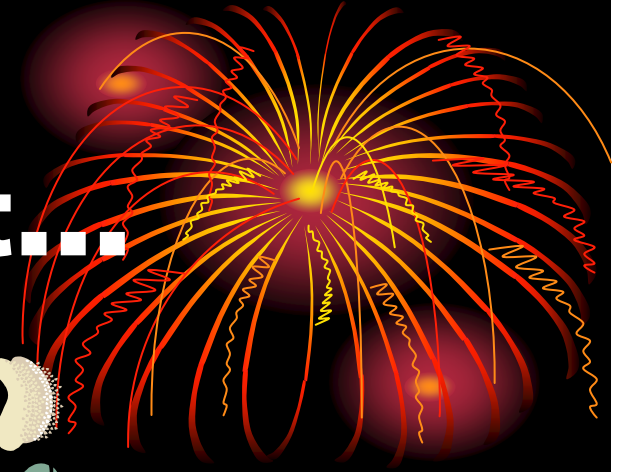


**HAPPY
HALLOWEEN.....**

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Did you know that...

Halloween originated in Ireland??

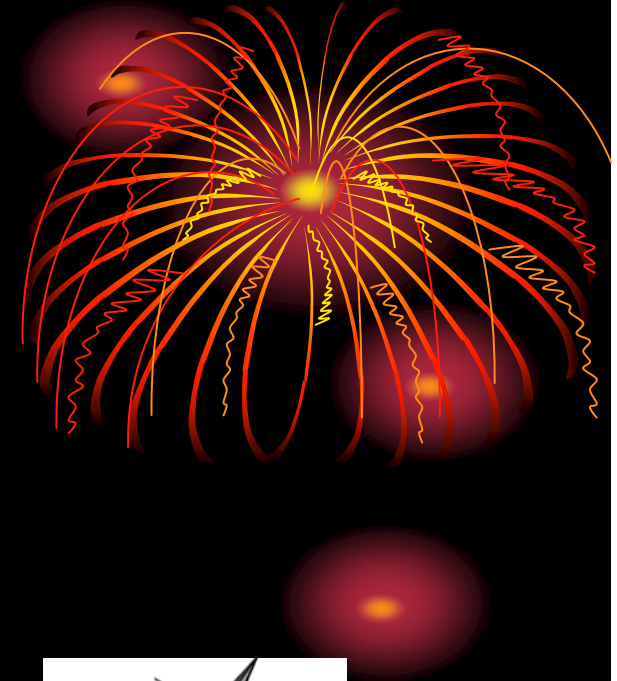


**It takes place on the 31st of
October each year...**

**It's celebrated throughout the British Isles,
Ireland and the USA!!!**

Spain celebrates Castanada on the same day..

**It's the only time
of the year that
evil spirits can
walk the earth
freely..**



**Halloween colours are Black and
Orange..**



Black represents evil spirits...

**Orange represents the harvest which
takes place at that time of year...**

Traditions...

- **Each year, Children go from door-to-door to play trick-or-treat**

If the children get a treat such as sweets or money, a trick will not be played on the owner of the house..



- **Fireworks are lit, to celebrate the autumn harvest before winter comes...**



- **Bobbing for apples...**
A game is played where the children must collect the apples from a basin of water using their teeth only..



The apples remind us that it's the time of the harvest..

- **Pumpkins (Jack-o-Lanterns), this tradition of carving an evil face on the pumpkin also originated in Ireland...**



This was done in memory of an old Irish villain known as Jack..

Traditional Halloween Characters...



Bats...



Witches



Vampires...





Skeletons...



Cauldrons...



Zombies...Frankenstein

Derry City...



- **Each year 40,000 people come to Derry City to see the Halloween carnival, the entire town wears costumes..**

It's the biggest Halloween festival in the UK...

There are Fireworks by the river, a fancydress parade, ghost tours of the city, facepainting, balloon modelling...

And huge competitions with even bigger prizes!!!

Here are a few of the best costumes...



