



# Genuine Learning Academy

## HAPPY HALLOWE'EN

We had a fantastic day yesterday as we listened to music, engaged in Hallowe'en activities and mingled with students in a fun and inviting atmosphere.



Genuine Learning Academy staff wish you a SAFE and FUN Hallowe'en if you are choosing to go trick or treating tonight! The weather is predicting to be cold, so dress warm, wear something bright that can be seen in the night.

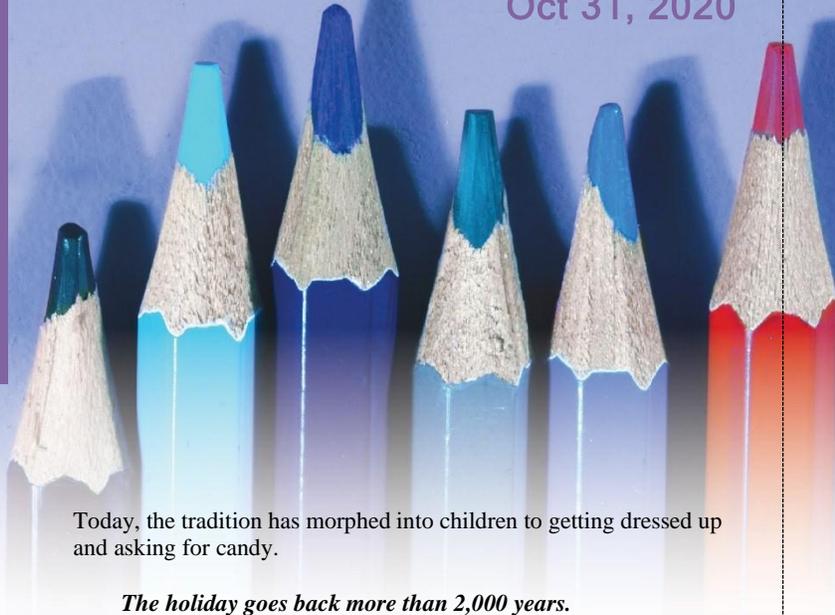


### Interesting Hallowe'en facts....

Trick-or-treating has existed since medieval times.

Back then, it was known as "guising" in Scotland and Ireland. Young people dressed up in costumes and asked for food or money in exchange for songs, poems, or other "tricks."

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Today, the tradition has morphed into children to getting dressed up and asking for candy.

*The holiday goes back more than 2,000 years.*

Halloween all started as a pre-Christian Celtic festival called Samhain (which means "summer's end") held around the first of November. It celebrated the final day of the harvest and the crossing of spirits over into the other world. People in Ireland, the United Kingdom, and Northern France would ward off ghosts by lighting sacrificial bonfires, and, you guessed it, wearing costumes.



## DAY LIGHT SAVING TIME

It is that time of year again. The trees turn colour, the leaves start to fall, the rain begins (did it end?) it gets darker earlier and the clocks go back an hour tonight!!

## ACADEMICS

**Our grade 10** students are currently working on their Physical Geography Books where students learn about the different landforms, the basic processes that influence the characteristics and spatial relationships of climate, water cycle and vegetation. Students examine the interactions of solar energy with the Earth's atmosphere and surface, and how atmospheric circulation, precipitation, and weather systems are generated.

The **Food Studies Class** is underway as students learn about food safety, different measurements needed to bake accurately and the smell of cookies lurking in our hallways will be coming soon.

Our **Intermediate Students** are hard at work learning about short stories and the elements needed to create a good story. We look forward to a final presentation of their stories – coming soon!

**TAKE RISKS, LEARN AND REPEAT**



## THE WEEK AHEAD

November 3rd	Interim Reports sent home
November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Non Instructional Day
November 10 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day Celebration
November 11 <sup>th</sup>	No School - Remembrance Day
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	Half Day Report Card Prep
December 11 <sup>th</sup>	Report Card Distribution
December 18 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day before Winter Break
January 4 <sup>th</sup>	School Opens

## ACADEMICS CONTINUED.....

We truly believe that physical activity is an important part of learning process as much research has indicated that a healthy body leads to a healthy mind! As we are learning about Canada in the intermediate grades and our high school students are engaging in the process of different landforms, the school will be starting a **WALKATHON** each morning. We will around the School property and we will map this out on a map in the school hallway.....our hopes are that students walk and run the distance across Canada! We cannot wait to get started- pictures and progress to come soon.



## REMEMBRANCE DAY

As Remembrance Day approaches students will start to do individual projects around the how and why of this important day. Themes such as conflict, time, and remembrance will be approached and researched by our students.

## Erase Bullying

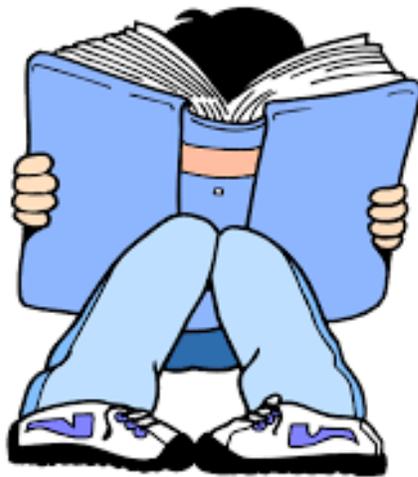
Genuine Learning Academy is fully supporting ERASE BULLYING concept.

**Have you seen or heard something that concerns you? Is someone or something bothering you or your friends at school?**

The **erase|Report It** tool lets you send a secure, anonymous and confidential message to your school or school district's safe school coordinator, who will follow up on it right away. You do not have to provide your name unless you want to. Messages are only monitored during your school's operational hours. If this is an emergency please call 911 immediately.

*If you see or hear something, say something!*

Visit the **erase website** to find resources for students, parents, and educators related to student safety, sexual orientation and gender identity, mental health and substance use.



## SILENT READING BOOKS

We ask that all students bring a silent reading book to read to school. We will start to focus on reading daily. As research has shown **Reading silently** improves students' understanding because it helps them concentrate on what they are **reading**, rather than the pronunciation of individual words. When we **read silently**, we can form mental pictures of the topic being **read** and discussed.



**you're not alone  
- everyone needs to  
ask for help sometimes**