HALLOWEEN SAFETY

With Halloween fast approaching please have a read about the importance of safety at this time of year

In some places, on average, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year.

TOP TIPS FOR HALLOWEEN SAFETY

1. Check costumes are safe. When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls and be aware of fire risk. Use LED candles rather than real ones as some costumes can burn very quickly. Choose face paint over masks when possible. Masks can limit children's vision.
2. Children under age 12 should normally be accompanied by a grown up. Consider going trick or treating as a small group rather than alone.
3. Plan your Route - No one wants to get lost or find themselves far away from home on Halloween night. Make sure you plan your trick or treating route in advance.
4. If you are not trick or treating with an adult, teenagers should know when they are expected home, to save parents unwanted worry. Know what to do if a someone or something makes you feel unsafe.
5. Adults should know where children are – and give clear boundaries and times to return home.
6. Carry glow sticks LEDs, or torches, use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and bags, and wear light colours to help children see and be seen by drivers.
7. Cross all roads with care - If you come to cross a road, remove your mask, and make sure the road is completely clear when you come to make your move.
8. Children - watch out for unpredictable drivers. Drivers watch out for unpredictable children!
9. Only to trick or treat at houses which are well lit, or which are decorated with Halloween themed decorations or lit pumpkins. Some people may not want to be disturbed.
10. CHECK YOUR SWEETS – Are you allergic? Make sure you or your parents check your sweets to make sure you are not allergic to any of your Halloween treats, or that you have received any treats that aren't worth eating... nobody wants to be poorly for Bonfire Night.

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