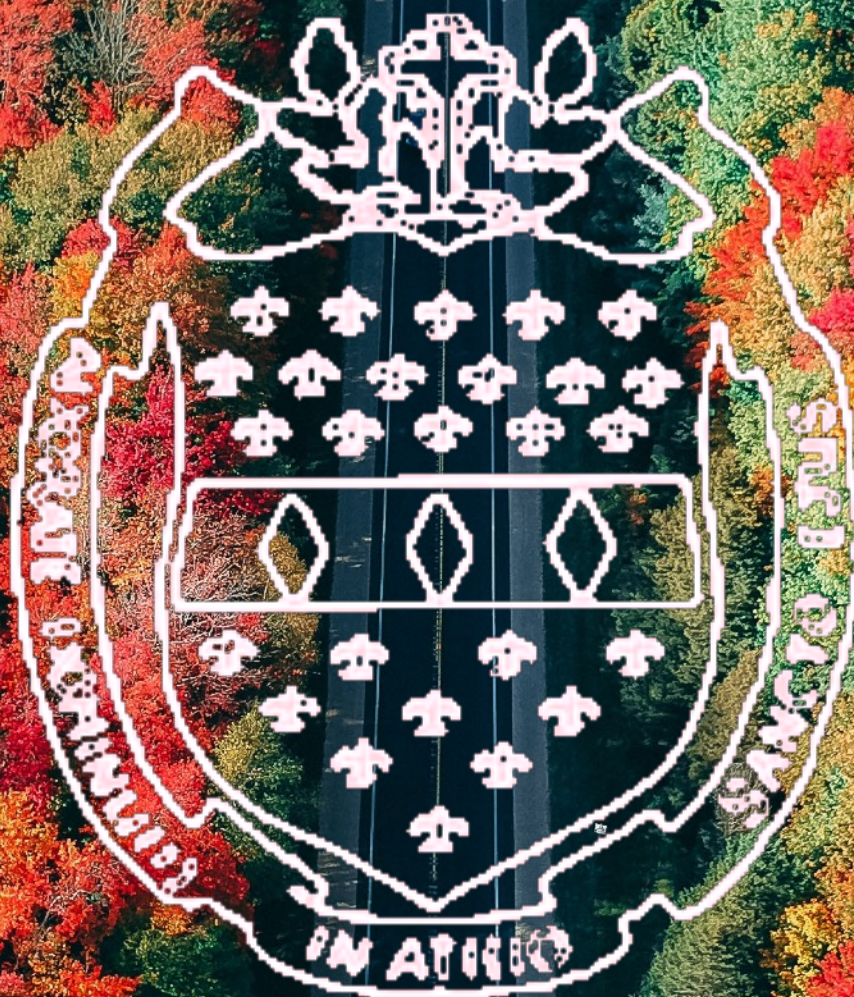
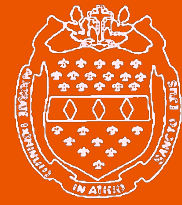


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OCTOBER 2020

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Feeling spooky! Check out our 5 + 1 pumpkin carving session.

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Deputy Principal: Ms. Garry

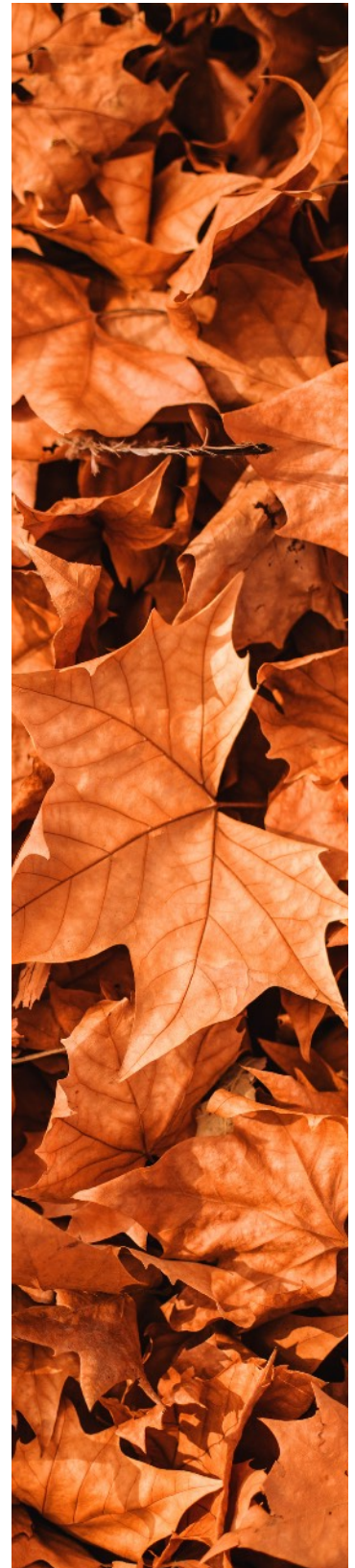
It is great to have the school open again and meet all the new and familiar faces and personalities that make up a school community. It has been a strange term.

Face coverings, physical distancing and restricted movements goes against everything we are naturally programmed to do! The safeguards are there for a reason; to protect and keep each other safe.

**"THESE SMALL ACTS WHEN
MULTIPLIED BY MILLIONS
OF PEOPLE CAN TRANSFORM
THE WORLD." HOWARD ZINN**

Each one of us are doing our part to keep our school going. Over the busy term, we have continued to be a community of learning, energy, activity, care and kindness.

In this issue you will find out about the positive and amazing things that have been going on in the school against the backdrop of the pandemic. It is a testament and proof of the resilience and creativity of our students, teachers and staff members who continue to make this school the unique community that it is.



Pumpkin Carving

5 + 1 Mentoring Programme

On Friday 23rd October the First Year students joined their 5+1 mentors on the courts to carve some Halloween pumpkins!



What is 5 + 1 ?

The transition from primary to secondary school is a daunting time in every young person's life. It is a time of change and excitement.

This year the newest additions to our Warrenmount community have had a rougher time than ever. We have a long and proud tradition of student leadership and mentoring in our school. This has served us well in these challenging times and our senior students have stepped up once again.

Our 5+1 Mentoring Programme pairs 5th year students with the 1st year students. They play an invaluable role in helping the newest additions to our family settle into secondary school. They are both mentors and role models. They all volunteer and attend training in student leadership, teamwork and interpersonal skills. They give up their free time and serve as true ambassadors of our school spirit and ethos.

CREATIVE CARVINGS

A big "Thank You" to Mr. Keogh, our Home School Community Liaison, Mr. McEniry, our 5+1 Co-ordinator and Ms. Davis, our school Librarian, for providing their skills and time, and the pumpkin victims.

As a seasonal treat, the 5+1 group worked with the First Years to scoop the brains out of some pumpkins! There were many giggles and gooey hands. Terrifying and creative carvings were created, along with some priceless memories!

Well done to all the 1st year group for their brave (and gross) endeavours! Truly skilled and terrifying in equal measure! Thank you to the 5+1 Team for their encouragement, help and lots of fun!



IN THE LAST ISSUE OF THE WARREN
WE FEATURED THREE OF OUR AMAZING
STUDENTS WHO WERE WORKING
ON THEIR ENTRY FOR THE
TECHNOVATION GLOBAL CHALLENGE.
RALUCA BUDA, ESSIE WUDDAH AND
IA KHACHIRASHVILI WERE CHOSEN FROM
THOUSANDS OF SUBMISSIONS FROM ALL
OVER THE WORLD TO COMPETE IN THE
SEMI-FINALS.

TECHNOVATION GLOBAL CHALLENGE

This year, 1500 teams from 62 countries competed in the Challenge. Only the top 6% of submissions worldwide scored high enough to reach the semi-finalist stage. Raluca, Essie and Ia were in that top 6%!

Although their project did not make it to the final round of the competition, they were presented with certificates of achievement and €100 each. The girls worked with mentors from the world of business and technology to develop a business plan and create an app that addressed a social issue.

The issue they addressed was discrimination and they designed an app for young students from different backgrounds living in Ireland who face discrimination based on their ethnicity, culture or religion. The app aims to help these young students build their confidence and stand up for themselves, hence the name APPRECIATION.

We would like to thank the mentors and Teen-turn for giving the girls the opportunity to take part in the challenge. Teen-turn aims to provide teen girls the opportunity to gain hands-on STEM experience so that they can visualise themselves in STEM careers and therefore make third level course choices accordingly. Through after-school activities, work placements, alumnae networking and career development programming, they support girls from "Junior Cert to Job".

Congratulations to Essie, Ia and Raluca! A special "Thank You" to Ms. MacMahon for facilitating the students with their entry. We are all so proud of you Ladies. Well done!



INKTOBER

A NEW WARRENMOUNT TRADITION

Student: Chloe Farrell



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**enowned artist
Jake Parker
created Inktober
in 2009 as a
challenge to improve his
inking skills and develop
positive drawing habits. It
has since grown into a
worldwide endeavour with
thousands of artists taking on
the challenge every year.**

The connection between artist expression and the development of literacy is academically well established. Visualisation and vocabulary-building are inextricably linked.

The Inktober Challenge offers our students an outlet for their creative expression and artistic talents. Each day during October a prompt word was revealed. A single word, left to the interpretation of each individual to create an image.

Our Librarian provided sketch pads and pens to each student and staff member who wished to participate. The prompt word was announced each morning on the intercom, published in our Virtual Library and posted outside the library.

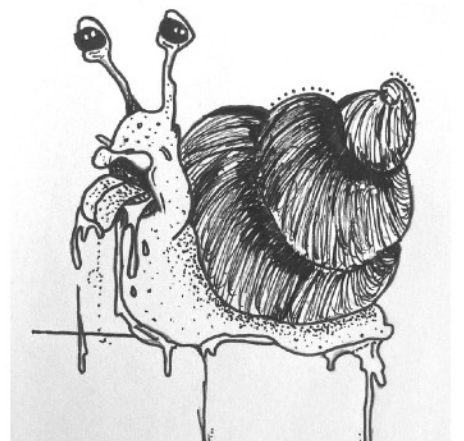
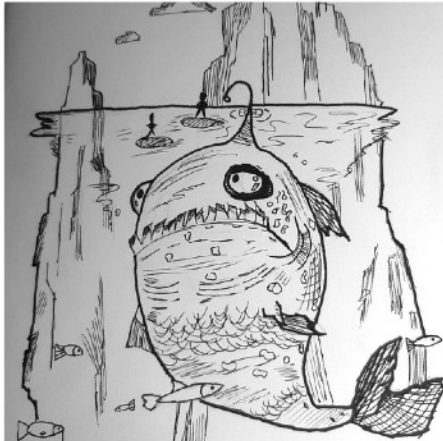
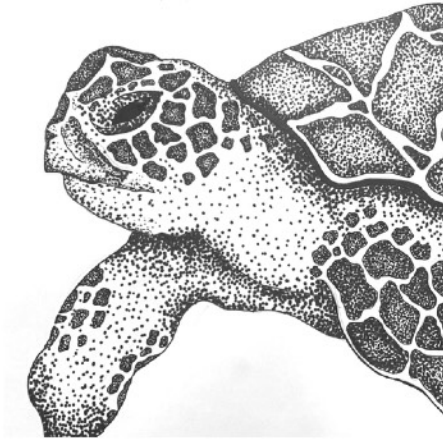
Each day delivered more and more astonishing pieces of artwork. Printed on the next page is a mere snapshot of the creations of our students.

From 1st to 6th Year the submissions have adorned our Inktober display daily. To say we are proud of our students would be an understatement. They never fail to amaze us with their creativity!

**WELL DONE TO ALL
BRAVE ENOUGH TO
SHARE THEIR TALENTS!**



Inktober Gallery





Mask Making

Leaving Certificate Applied Class

As part of our studies in Social Education the Leaving Certificate Applied Class has spent the first part of our term being as industrious and creative as ever making masks!

ZAHIDA BANO - CHLOE HUMPHREY - SHANNON O'CONNELL - NICOLE DAVIS -
MARIE CLARKE - ABBIE CAHILL - ERIN DENNIS SILLERY



In our Contemporary Issues class there is one contemporary issue that is unavoidable. We have been learning about and studying the current Covid-19 pandemic.

We don't just learn about contemporary issues, we tackle them too! As part of our Leaving

Certificate Applied studies we must devise and implement a strategy to do something in our community about our study topics. So, what could we do to assist in the current health crisis? We decided to learn how to create face masks as our Action Component.

OUR AIM WAS TO LEARN HOW TO CREATE REUSABLE COTTON FACE MASKS AND TO TEACH OUR FELLOW STUDENTS HOW TO DO SO ALSO. WE WANTED TO PROVIDE QUALITY FACE MASKS TO OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF.

We set to work researching the materials and skills we needed and began at square one!

With the help of some crafty staff we began choosing and cutting our material. We learned about seams and hems, tacking and elastic. We hand stitched our seams and then

began our adventures with the sewing machine.

Geraldine Teeling, our school secretary, shared her skills and patience with us. Julie, our SNA, spent hours helping us and encouraging us too. Ms. Fahy and Ms. Davis taught us how to sew and how to operate the sewing machine. Ms. Garry has also being our advocate and helped us to source some new sewing machines and materials to roll out our production line! Thank You!



We want to share skills, like sewing and crafts, in our school community. We want to do something positive, to help. We want to help be part of the solution and encourage everybody to play their part also. We have really enjoyed this project so far, and we look forward to updating you all on our endeavours in the next issue of The Warren.

Soon, we had produced our first masks, and we were hooked! We have begun a school wide initiative that we hope we can continue through this term. We have already started work on a Lesson Plan with instructional video, written instructions and templates.

Check out our School Facebook Page over the next few weeks for updates and links to resources.

The 3rd Year C.S.P.E. class will be taking up the baton after the Mid-Term and creating masks for themselves and their family members who are working on the front line of this pandemic. Our hope is to equip each student with the skills to make their own masks, but we want more than that.



6LCA Masks :)





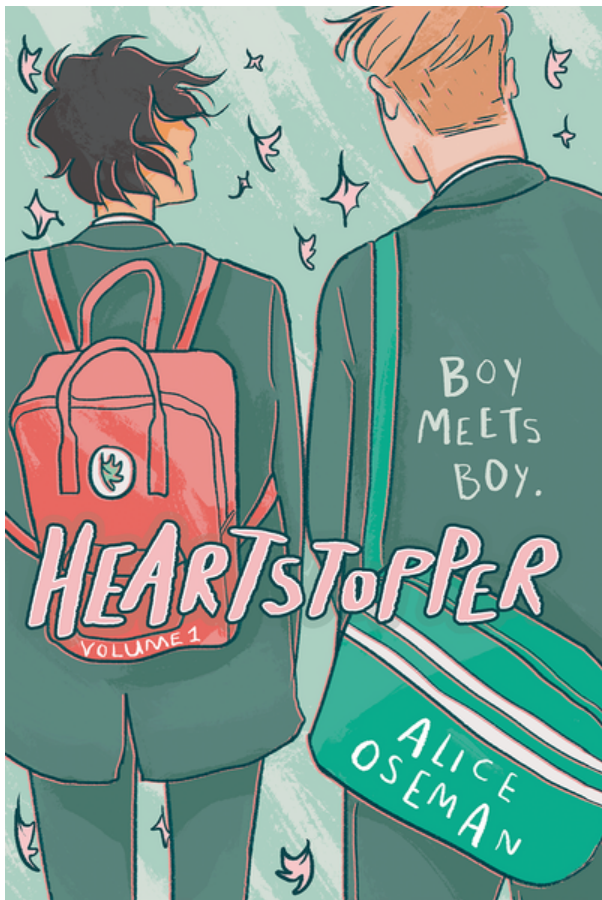
Autumnal Reads

Library Team Members:

Chloe Farrell, Ciara Walsh Fitzsimons + Katie Walsh Fitzsimons

LEAF THROUGH A GOOD BOOK THIS AUTUMN

HEARTSTOPPER ALICE OSEMAN



Heartstopper is the first instalment of a graphic novel series by Alice Oseman. This novel is very well written and beautifully illustrated. It also has great LGBTQ+ representation. There are three books in the series so far. They are super quick and easy to read and there are more to come!

Charlie is a highly-strung, openly gay over thinker. Nick is a cheerful, soft hearted rugby player. They meet at a British boy's school where their friendship starts to bloom quickly. Charlie Spring is in year 10.

The past year wasn't great, but at least he's not being bullied anymore! Nick Nelson is in year 11 and on the school rugby team. He's heard a bit about Charlie – the boy who was outed last year and bullied for a while – but he's never really spoken to him.

They quickly become friends and soon Charlie is falling for Nick. Even though he doesn't really think he has a chance. But love works in strange ways and sometimes good things are waiting just around the corner...

Heartstopper is all about love, friendship, loyalty and mental health. I would definitely recommend this book to anyone looking for a cute easy read that will just leave you wanting more. These titles are available from the school librarian.

Chloe Farrell

A COURT OF THORNS AND ROSES

SARAH J. MAAS



A Court of Thorns and Roses is the first book in the New York Times bestselling trilogy by Sarah J. Mass. It follows Feyre Archeron, a huntress who is dragged away from her family, across the magical barrier that separates the mortal land from the immortal land. Her captor, Tamlin, is a powerful Faelord who rules the Spring Court. As she unravels Tamlin's secrets, she discovers that she must fight to break an ancient curse. Can she do it? Or will she die in the process?

Sarah J. Maas takes a unique and intriguing spin on "Beauty and the Beast" in this striking and

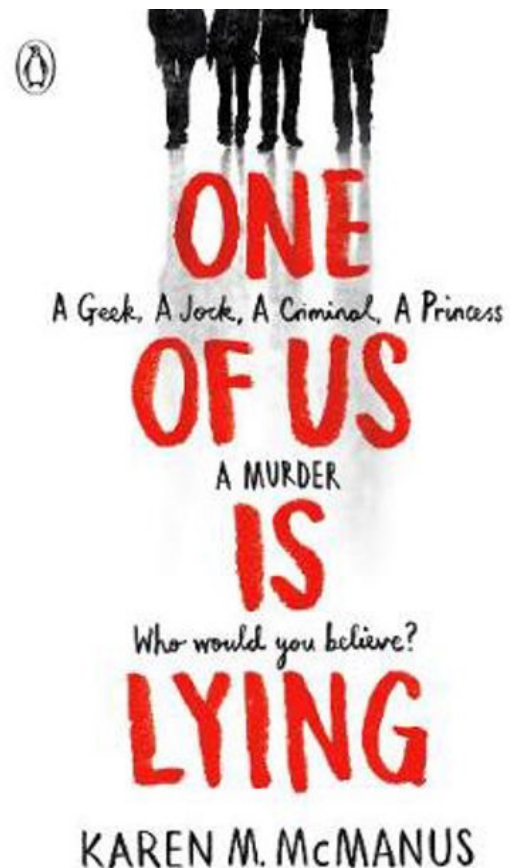
eloquently written first book of the "A Court of Thorns and Roses" series.

I would highly recommend this book, more so to the senior half of the school, as it does contain some mature content. It is an enjoyable read and a great introduction into a world of fantasy and intrigue.

Ciara Walsh Fitzsimons

ONE OF US IS LYING

KAREN M. MCMANUS



What happens when five teenagers walk into detention and only four walk out alive?

This alluring mystery tells the story of a group of teenagers, each with something to hide.

When Simon dies suddenly, officials say that it was no accident and everyone is a suspect. So, who has the most motivation to commit murder? If you pay close attention, maybe you can solve this mystery and figure out which one of them is lying?

This is a great read, full of suspense and intrigue. I would recommend this book to anyone who loves a good mystery, not just teens. It has a stimulating story and a new mystery on every page. It would be best suited for seniors and juniors with mature reading styles. The great news is that if you enjoy this book, there is a gripping sequel called *One of Us Is Next*.

Katie Walsh Fitzsimons



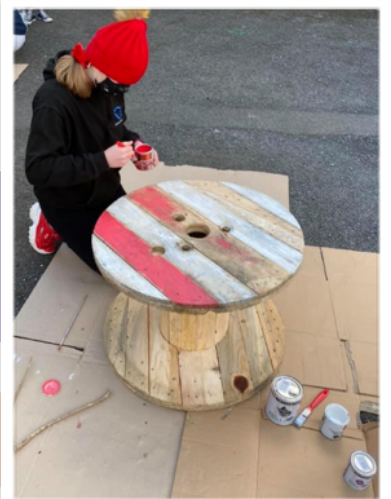
The background of the page features a close-up of a child's face, partially obscured by vibrant, vertical paint streaks in shades of green, cyan, blue, purple, red, and pink. The child's eyes and nose are visible through the paint. The text is overlaid on a white rectangular area in the center.

Colour Project

Transition Year

Our TY Class have been busy brightening the school up with more than their characteristic enthusiasm and smiles! They have taken on the challenge of adding a little colour and lots of joy to our school grounds. First they got busy painting lunch benches and helping to decorate our garden spaces. Here is some of their handy work.

TY colour project



"We live in a
rainbow of
chaos."
PAUL CÉZANNE



Sustainable Fashion

Student: Lottie Smith

In a world of fast changing fashions and cheaply made clothes that don't last a few washes, maybe there is an alternative? We forget that our grandparents and great grandparents made their own clothes. Many knew how to mend and repurpose old fabrics. They were skilled and resourceful people. We have forgotten the values of recycled, reworked clothing. Fast fashion has become most popular in the last few decades. With many clothes retailers currently closed we can no longer run into town and buy some cheap disposable fashion! So, maybe it's time to reassess our attitudes to clothing?





he aim of sustainable fashion is to produce clothing that lasts longer and is environmentally kind. The goal is to prevent wastage of textiles. By choosing to be sustainable you become part of a movement to protect our planet, even at a small level.

Learning to sew can open an endless outlet for creativity and originality. There are hundreds of videos on YouTube showing you how to make garments and many websites with free patterns also. Material can be up cycled from old clothes you no longer need or want.

Consider buying second-hand clothes, or vintage pieces. Many charitable organisations have second-hand stores that stock a wide range of clothes and other fashion accessories. They even have wedding dresses and Debs dresses, donated by others who have only worn them once!

Fashion production makes up over 10% of carbon emissions each year, and 85% of all excess textiles go to the dump each year. Many manmade fibres are not biodegradable either. Many damaging chemicals are used in the dyeing and production process of clothes. By being more conscious of our choices we can each make a difference in a small way.



WHEN THINKING OF BECOMING SUSTAINABLE YOU MUST REMEMBER TO ONLY BUY CLOTHES WHEN YOU NEED THEM. PONDER THE SAYING “THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WANT AND NEED”.

Banish Bad Hair

Students: Katie Quinn + Lily Rose Kavanagh

3 EASY STYLES



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SOFT CURLS

YOU WILL NEED:

- A hairbrush
- A curler
- Clips and/or grips

METHOD:

1. Brush hair and make sure there are no knots.
2. Turn curler on to the settings outlined by the manufacturer. Divide hair into sections by starting from the back and curling away from your face.
3. Hold for approximately for 10-15 seconds.
4. When finished all hair, brush out the curls to get a softer curl! (optional).

2



**HALF UP
HALF DOWN
WITH PLAIT**

YOU WILL NEED:

- A small hair bobbin
- A hairbrush

METHOD:

1. Take two bits of hair from the front.
2. Take one side and plait it away from your face.
3. Do the same with the other side.
4. Bring them to the back of you head and tie them with your bobbin.

3



**HALF UP
HALF DOWN**

YOU WILL NEED:

- A hairbrush
- A grip

METHOD:

1. Comb all the hair back.
2. At the front, take your fingers and section the top half of your hair.
3. Brush the bumps out from the top.
4. Twist it once and pop the grip in to hold it in place.



BETTER BREAKFAST

Students: Kasey Spencer
+ Tori O'Donnell

As the cold mornings creep in there is nothing like a healthy breakfast to start your day! In our Home Economics classes we learn a lot about nutrition and the importance of a balanced diet.

Smoothies

Kasey Spencer

STRAWBERRY BANANA SMOOTHIE:

INGREDIENTS:

- 200g frozen mixed berries
- 1 banana
- 2 tbsp meridian cashew butter
- 150ml almond or cashew milk

Just blend all the ingredients together and enjoy!
Great for breakfast or a snack to give you a boost during the day!

FROZEN FRUIT SMOOTHIE:

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 frozen banana peeled and sliced
- 250g frozen strawberries, raspberries or cherries
- 240ml of milk (semi skinned or skinned)
- 120g of natural yoghurt (fat free options available)
- 120 ml freshly squeezed orange juice
- 2 to 3 tbsp of honey.

Put all the ingredients in a blender and process until smooth, pour into glasses and serve. It really is that easy! No excuse not to give it a go :)



THE MAXIMUM TIME
TO MAKE THESE
SMOOTHIES IS 5
MINUTES! IT IS EASY
AND NUTRITIOUS,

Avocado Toast

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a piece of toast topped with a green avocado mixture. In the foreground, a knife is spreading the same mixture onto another piece of toast. The background is a soft-focus blue and green.

Tori O'Donnell

One of my favourite snacks is avocado toast. This is another 5 minute recipe that is both tasty and good for you! If you haven't tried it already, here is everything you need to know to enjoy it for yourself.

INGREDIENTS:

- Ripe avocado
- 4 spring onions
- 6 cherry tomatoes
- 1 tbs mayonnaise

Mash an avocado and mix with four sliced spring onions, six quartered cherry tomatoes and one tablespoon of mayonnaise. Next, toast and butter your choice of bread. Then simply spread your avocado mixture on the bread! Sprinkle with a little salt and pepper and enjoy.

A woman is shown from the chest up, wearing a vibrant red hooded cloak. Her hands are clasped together in front of her chest. The background is a dark, textured surface with numerous small, white, star-like specks, giving it a cosmic or night-sky appearance. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the texture of the cloak and the woman's hands.

Film + TV Reviews

Students: Georgia Fay + Lily Rose Kavanagh

For the spooky season of Halloween we all love a good movie to get the heart racing, the adrenaline pumping and get us in the spirit!

Here, we share our favourite Halloween classics to curl up behind a cushion to!!

SPOOKY FILMS



HOCUS POCUS (1993)

DIRECTOR: KENNY ORTEGA

STARRING: BETTE MIDLAR, SARAH JESSICA PARKER, KATHY NAJIMY

GENRE: HORROR/COMEDY/FAMILY

RUNTIME: 96 MINUTES

RATING: PG

This is a classic for all the family. Rated PG, this hilarious and beautifully shot film has become a firm favourite for the Halloween season. Starring Beth Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker and Kathy Najimy, this stellar cast tell the tale of three diabolically funny witches who are accidentally resurrected by a curious teenager. Can they be stopped from their villainous plans to seek revenge on every child in Salem for their executions? Be prepared for laughs, great comedic performances and some classic memories for all the family to share.



THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS (1994)

DIRECTOR: TIM BURTON

STARRING: DANNY ELFMAN, CHRIS SARANDON, CATHERINE O'HARA

GENRE: HORROR/COMEDY/FAMILY

RUNTIME: 76 MINUTES

The Nightmare Before Christmas follows the adventures of Jack Skellington. He is Halloween Town's Pumpkin King and has become bored of people in the "real world". When Jack accidentally stumbles into Christmas Town he is excited by the colours, joy and Christmas spirit. He is so taken with the idea of Christmas that he tries to get the resident bats, ghouls, and goblins of Halloween Town to help him put on Christmas instead of Halloween. Hilariously, they can't get it quite right. This animated classic also gives us some memorable songs to enjoy too!

"Watch this movie to put all the family in the Halloween Spirit!"

Lily Rose Kavanagh

THRILLING SERIES



THE HAUNTING OF HILL HOUSE (2018)

TV MINI SERIES

STARRING: MICHEL HUISMAN, CARLA GUGINO,
HENRY THOMAS

GENRE: DRAMA/HORROR/MYSTERY

RATING: 15

AVAILABLE ON: NETFLIX

Flashing between past and present, a fractured family confronts haunting memories of their old home and the terrifying events that drove them from it.

This ten-part miniseries tells the tale of five adult siblings, whose childhood experiences at Hill House continue to haunt them in the present day. Now considered the most famous haunted house in the country the siblings return home under tragic circumstances, to confront the past and their own demons.

"This series is so eerie and it will definitely get you in a spooky mood."

Lottie Smith



STRANGER THINGS (2016)

TV SERIES: 3 SEASONS

STARRING: MILLIE BOBBY BROWN, FINN WOLF
HARD, NOAH SCHNAPP, GATE MATARAZZO

GENRE: SUPERNATURAL/ADVENTURE

RATING: 15

AVAILABLE ON: NETFLIX

When a young boy disappears, his mother, a police chief and his friends must confront terrifying supernatural forces in order to get him back.

In November 1983 researchers at Hawkins National Laboratory open a rift to the "upside down", an alternative dimension. A terrifying monster escapes and kidnaps a local boy. With 3 seasons already released and a 4th coming next year this series is for all those who love a good mystery and some scares along the way!

"This series has a real retro vibe, and keeps you on the edge of your seat with thrilling suspense and surprises!"

Georgia Fay

