

Press Release

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### **Halloween Tricks and Treats at Chiddingstone Castle**

There is plenty of Halloween fun to be had at Chiddingstone Castle on **Thursday 29 October** when families can enjoy a Lantern Lit Trick or Treat Halloween children's activity afternoon between 2 and 5pm.

The historic Castle is the ideal location for an afternoon of themed activities which include a ghostly session of face painting to really help children get in the spirit of things! Children can also take part in themed arts and crafts where they can design and make their own scary mask and trick or treat bag to take home!

As dusk approaches families can enjoy a creepy lantern lit walk through the Castle's grounds when children can hunt for yummy treats. Keep your eyes open incase one of the Castle's resident ghosts decides to make a surprise appearance!

As well as the activities families can browse the Castle's fascinating Japanese, Buddhist, Jacobean, Stuart and Egyptian collections on display, which include such curiosities as a mummified cat and a 12ft crocodile from the Nile River.

In the Castle's refurbished Victorian tearoom you can enjoy home made treats and hot and cold drinks and children's lunch bags are £2.50.

Chiddingstone Castle is open Sunday to Wednesday until 27 September 2009 and for seasonal special events until the end of the year. Adults £6 children £4 (under 4's free) Group £5pp (min 20 people) Chiddingstone's grounds and tea room can be accessed without a Castle pass. For more information about the Castle and all events please visit [www.chiddingstonecastle.org.uk](http://www.chiddingstonecastle.org.uk)

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#### Editors Notes

- Chiddingstone activity days are free for family pass holders. All arts and crafts will take place on the lawns in fine weather or in activity rooms if raining. To purchase a pass please call 01892 872746.
- Chiddingstone Castle is open between 10 April and 27 September on Sunday's, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Good Friday, and some Thursdays for special activities between 11am – 5pm. Please check what's on page on the website for forth coming events and activity days and any changes to opening times and days. Admission: Adult: £6 Children: (aged 5-13) £4 (children under 4 are free) Families: (2 adults and 2 children) £18 Adult season ticket: £20.00 Family season ticket: £38.50. Groups are welcome by prior arrangement: £5pp (min 20 people) All visitors visiting the grounds and the café only are free. The bingo spotter will be available throughout the season and are themed for particular activity days.
- Chiddingstone Castle is located on the outskirts of Chiddingstone, and is best approached via the B2027 road from Tonbridge to Penshurst, turn into Mill Lane when you reach Bough Beech and keep straight for one mile.