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Arden School is holding its ever popular family fireworks event on 4th November, with food, drink and two firework displays. Meanwhile Bentley Heath Community Centre is hosting a pumpkin competition on 27th October and a Christmas craft fayre on 18th November. More details on all these local events are available on page 6.

Wishing you all a happy Halloween and hoping you get treated and not tricked!

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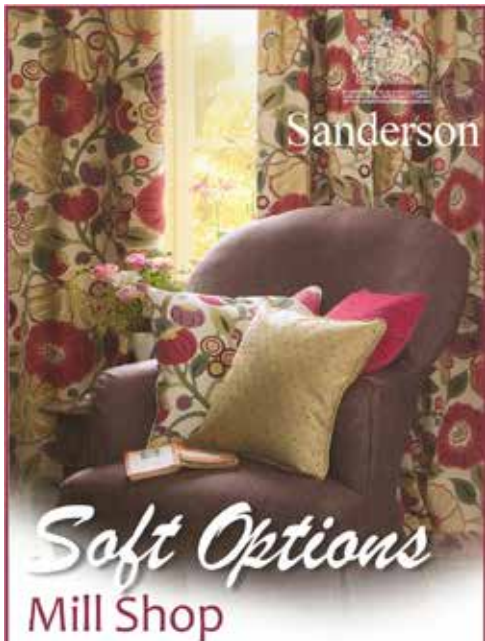
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Bentley Heath Community Centre, B93 9BQ

Friday 27th October,

9.30-11.30am

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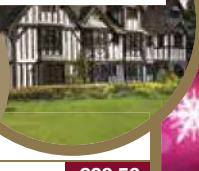
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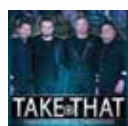


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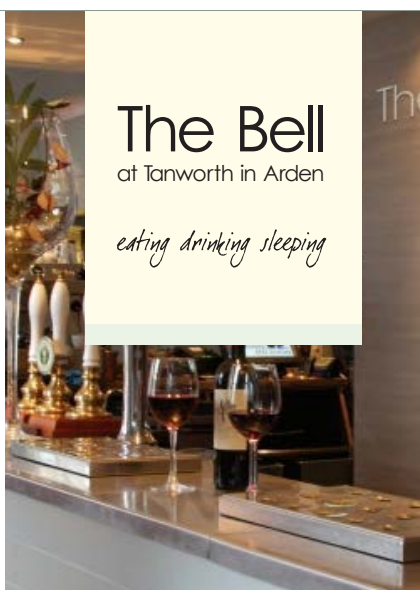
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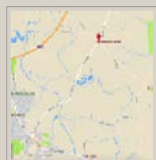
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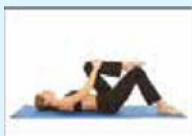
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Nowadays it being eclipsed by Halloween. Most families prefer to attend a closely controlled public event on the closest weekend to November 5th. In a few places though the tradition of the guy still continues in a more traditional form with street processions and blazing barrels of tar!

Bonfire Night was once the only day of the year when fireworks were seen in Britain, but firework displays are now commonplace at weddings, big public events and New Year. The significance of fireworks has been somewhat lost which is a bit of a shame as it's a part of British folklore. Perhaps this year we should make an effort to bring back the Guy.

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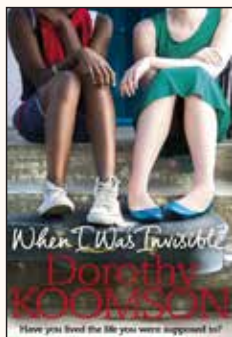
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When I Was Invisible

by Dorothy Koomson

We have all felt invisible at times. Whether it is in the staff room at work where everyone else is chatting and you feel left out. Or waiting to be served somewhere and it seems as if everyone else is being served first. But what if the one person you feel you should be able to turn to when things go wrong ignores your plight?



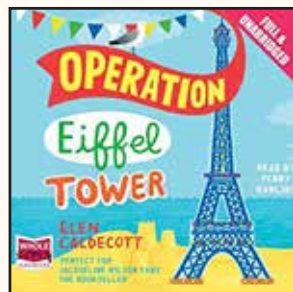
This novel tells the story of two girls with the same name. Veronica (Roni) Harper and Veronika (Nika) Harper met when they were eight years old and knew they were immediately destined to become ballerinas. However, life doesn't always go as planned and both girls, now in their thirties are living invisible lives: one is a nun and one is living homeless on the streets of Birmingham. Neither planned to be there and the story of how they got there gradually unfolds, told in the first person by both Roni and Nika.

What ultimately lies at the heart of this is a betrayal that ran so deep it destroyed both friendships and lives. As Roni leaves the convent overwhelmed by guilt and seeks out Nika to make amends the novel builds to a tense climax as the true nature of the betrayal is revealed and the many layers of their lives are peeled back. Some choose to be invisible in our busy society, others feel invisible and lost because of the way they are treated. This moving novel reminds us to listen to others and pay attention to their lives.

Operation Eiffel Tower

by Elen Caldecott

This children's book, aimed at 9-11-year-old readers is a sweet and touching tale of four siblings who live in a seaside resort with their parents. Lauren, Jack, Ruby, and Billy enjoy living by the sea. Jack



helps out at the local adventure golf course and plays the odd round when things are quiet. But life isn't all great and the children are fed up of hearing their parents arguing.

Lauren reads in one of her magazines that a weekend break in Paris is the perfect way to reignite a relationship and so the children plot to raise money to send Mum and Dad to Paris to help them remember why they fell in love. It becomes known as 'Operation Eiffel Tower'. However, before long, Dad moves out and the children fear that they are too late.

This novel deals with the break-up of a family in a realistic way, with humour thrown in. It shows that relationships don't always work out as planned, and neither do our hopes and dreams. Will it have the happy ending that the four siblings want? And if it doesn't have they failed, or can things still work out okay?

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My children love to carve pumpkins. Oh who am I kidding, my husband and I love it too and over the years our designs have become more ambitious. Here are a few tips.

Start with the right pumpkin. It should be fresh with a sturdy stem, no bruises and a flat bottom so it won't roll. A smooth one is easier to carve and if you can find one with a flatter 'face' so much the better.

Use proper safety pumpkin carving sets. No-one wants to spend Halloween sat in the accident and emergency department dressed as Dracula's Bride. Ok that was the one year I did NOT use proper pumpkin saw and I was more at risk at dying from embarrassment than the blood loss but don't risk it folks.

Cut the lid using

the saw angled in towards the stem. That way the lid won't drop inside the pumpkin when you replace it.

Scoop out all the pulp and some of the flesh - an ice cream scoop works brilliantly.

You can now download patterns from the internet. These are terrific if you have limited artistic skills like me. Tape the pattern to the pumpkin (make little cuts around the edge of the pattern if the pumpkin is a bit too round, and that way it will fit better). Then use a pin or small nail to puncture the paper and the outer skin of the pumpkin at intervals of around 1/4 inch / 0.5 cm, or even closer for intricate designs.

If it's difficult to see your poked-out pattern, rub a little corn flour or baby powder into the dots. The dots will turn bright white and your design will magically appear.

Carve the tiniest sections first. Then carve the areas in the centre of the pattern, and then work outwards. That way you can rest your hand on the uncut bits of pumpkin, not your carved-out design.

Rather than always cutting all the way through the pumpkin try just removing some of the skin. The yellow flesh underneath will glow when lit up from inside.

Spread Vaseline on the cut edges to seal in moisture. If you have to carve it a few days in advance and it shrivels you can revive it with a face-down soak in cold water.

Pumpkin carving is a great activity for all the family. You can make it competitive, or have a theme for your pumpkins, or invite friends over for a pumpkin carving party. Just don't end up in casualty wearing a wild wig and face paint. A safe Halloween is a Happy Halloween!





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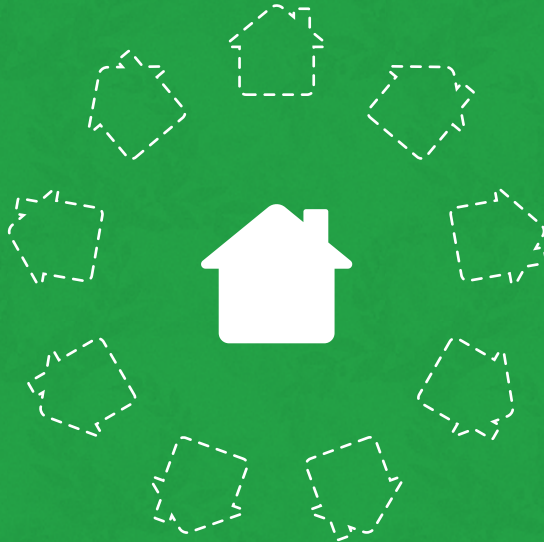
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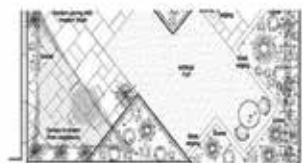
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20g Cocoa powder
140g caster sugar
1 1/2 tsp baking powder
Pinch salt
40g Unsalted butter (room temp)
120ml whole milk
1 egg
1/4 tsp vanilla extract

For the icing:

300g Icing sugar (sifted)
100g Unsalted butter (room temp)
40g Cocoa powder
40ml Whole milk

For decoration:

Pot of chocolate sprinkles
Sweets for eyeballs
Black string liquorice - cut into 5cm strips

Method

Preheat the oven to Gas 3 / 175C

Place the flour, cocoa powder, caster sugar, baking powder, salt and butter into an electric mixer (or use a handheld whisk) and beat on a slow speed until the mixture looks grainy, like sand. In a separate jug whisk the milk, egg and vanilla extract together. Pour half into the flour mixture. Beat well to combine and make sure you get rid of any lumps. Add the second half of the egg and milk mixture and beat until the mixture is smooth (about two minutes). Spoon the mixture into 12 paper cupcake cases and bake in the oven for 20-25 minutes until cooked. Set aside to cool. To make the icing: Beat the icing sugar, butter and cocoa powder together by hand or in an electric mixer. Add the milk a little at a time then beat well until the mixture is light and fluffy. Use this to cover the cooled cakes. To finish the spiders: Pour the chocolate sprinkles on to a saucer. Take each iced cake and dip the icing into the sprinkles to make the hairy spider's body. Place two 'eyeballs' on each cupcake. Use a skewer to poke 4 holes on opposite sides of each cupcake; insert liquorice strips into each hole.

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About the Show:

Jongleurs is the byword for live stand up comedy.

Hosted by Maureen Younger.

Stand up comic, compere, actor, ad hoc radio talking head and writer for magazines such as the new online magazine for switched on women Standard Issue, Her Edit, as well as Psychologies Magazine's new blogging platform, Life Labs. As a comic Maureen is a rare creature, a Brit who speaks languages, so she also gigs in Germany, Austria, Germany, France and Spain, having lived abroad for many years.

She is joined by:

George Egg

Following two sell out years in a row at the Edinburgh Fringe with his first show ANARCHIST COOK, award winning comedian George Egg returned to Edinburgh in 2017 with a new show demonstrating more ingenious live cooking, this time using DIY tools. As comfortable cooking now as doing his quirky stand up show George

likes to mix up his act so a couple of surprises maybe likely!

Jo Enright

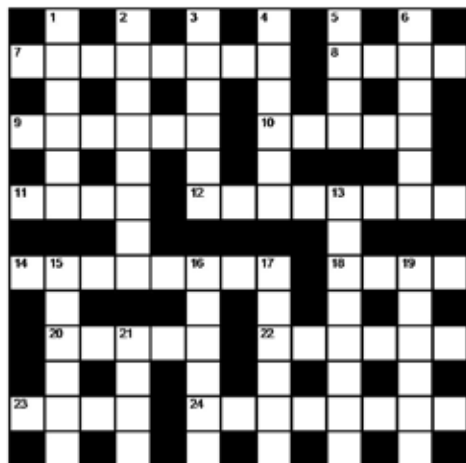
Jo Enright has worked with many of the UK's leading comedy writers and directors. Appearing alongside Peter Kay in Phoenix Nights, with Steve Coogan in I'm Alan Partridge and playing the female lead Sue, in Life's Too Short, directed by Ricky Gervais and Stephen Merchant. Jo has recently received rave reviews for the part of Angela in three series of ITV's The Job Lot.

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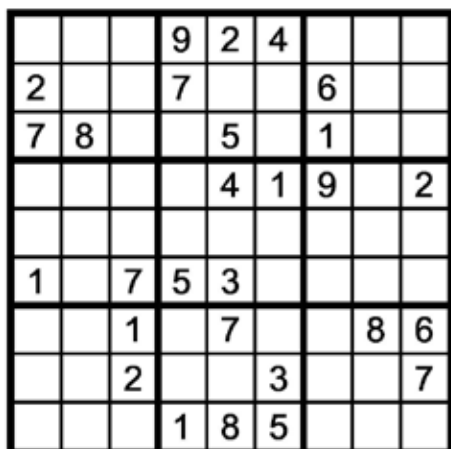


clues

- 7 Remy Martin, Hennessy, Korbel (8)
- 8 Hand held tablet (4)
- 9 Totalling-up (6)
- 10 Item written in a diary or ledger (5)
- 11 We stand on them (4)
- 12 Experiencing again (8)
- 14 Undergraduates (8)
- 18 Bedside light source (4)
- 20 Sound 15 down might make (5)
- 22 Removed the lid (6)
- 23 Body powder (4)
- 24 In a secretive manner (2, 3, 3)

Down

- 1 Walk laboriously (6)
- 2 Joined the armed services (8)
- 3 Vocalist (6)
- 4 Also (2, 4)
- 5 Present (4)
- 6 Deep ravine (6)
- 13 Hit back before the ball bounced (8)
- 15 Male feline (6)
- 16 Unit of force (6)
- 17 Knee-length trousers (6)
- 19 Cereal with oats, fruit and nuts (6)
- 21 Curved structure (4)



how to play sudoku

It's simple!

Fill in the grid so that each row, column and 3x3 box, contains the numbers 1 through to 9 with no repetition. You don't need to be a genius. These puzzles use logic alone. Watch out! Sudoku is highly addictive.

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