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Enjoy chills and thrills at the Watercress Line's Wizard Week

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Magic and mischief will be in the air at the Watercress Line this October for the return of Wizard Week.

Children of all ages are invited to dress up as their favourite scary character – little monsters, ghosts, witches and wizards are welcome – to enjoy some Halloween fun from October 24th to 30th.

Spine-tingling treats are being conjured up at the popular Hampshire steam railway attraction – including terrific rides on the Wizard Express steam train and the thrill of walking in Harry Potter's footsteps over the famous railway footbridge where Harry received his Hogwarts Express ticket in the film.

Other enchanting activities in store for visitors include the chance to explore the Harry Potter style coaches at Alresford; get up close to hairy, scary, creepy creatures and ogle awesome owls and falcons (every day, except for Tuesday and Thursday). Youngsters will be spellbound at broomstick-making demonstrations, can wave their own hand-made wands – and enjoy marvellous magic shows, daily at 12.30pm and 2.30pm.

There are spook-tacular prizes to be won at the Watercress Line's fancy dress competition, to be held each

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day – with three age categories: Under 4s – 'Brand New Wizards'; 4 to 8 year olds – 'Emerging Wand Talent' and Overs 8s – 'Potion Masters'.

Ghouls and guys, of all ages, can ride the steam trains throughout the day and hop on and off as they wish to explore the four heritage stations. Stock up on some weird and wonderful sweet treats at Ropley Station and enjoy fiendish refreshments at a range of outlets.

Watercress Line CEO Amanda Squires said: "This year's Wizard Week is set to be spookier than ever. There will be plenty of pumpkins, batty bats, gory ghosts, scary skeletons and of course, wise wizards adding to the Halloween fun at the Watercress Line and we can't wait to welcome everyone on board.

"Don't miss out on all the great activities we have planned – and prepare to be spooked along the way! Make sure you book your tickets online beforehand. It will be a spellbinding experience for everyone!"

For more information or to book tickets, visit https://watercressline.co.uk/wizard-week//

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