

Hop Tu Naa

Last year's Hop Tu Naa celebration was a success as all pupils and staff took part. The highlight was definitely the fantastic carved 'moots' that you worked on at home with your children. As you know, at Rushen Primary School we like to celebrate '*everything Manx*'. Hop Tu Naa is a very old custom that tells us a lot about Manx traditions and is an opportunity to have some fun!



We will celebrate 'Hop Tu Naa' at school this year on the last day of this half term, Friday 22 October.

Expectations for the day:

- ★ Children should come to school dressed in something appropriate for 'Hop Tu Naa' - this could be as a witch, wizard, or other traditional Manx costume. Children must not come dressed in football kit or superhero costumes, for example.
- ★ If the children do not wish to come to school dressed up as the suggestions above, they must wear school uniform.
- ★ We will not charge anything or raise money through this event, this time.
- ★ Please bring in a carved turnip/swede, which the family can produce together. We will place them on tables and classes will have the opportunity to view them during the day.
- ★ Celebration assembly will happen as usual and children will be able to see each other's costumes.
- ★ In class, children will be learning about the day and customs, comparing celebrations from the past and present and the different types of celebrations around the world etc. Hogmanay, Halloween and Trick or Treat etc.

