

# Newsletter October 2010



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## The hunt for pink October!

As we plough into Autumn we here at Clever Pants HQ are literally run off our feet preparing our shows for the 2010-11 tour with our troop of amazing actors working day and night to make this year's shows bigger, better, funnier and generally more exciting than ever before.

In case you haven't visited our website in a while, we've included information about this year's shows in this month's newsletter. We've also thrown in some quotes from the great and good, some puntastic humour, some Commonwealth Games facts and our pick of this month's video offerings from the World Wide Web. AND there's a recipe for the classic British cold weather dessert - Apple Crumble.

See you soon!

For more information about CLEVER PANTS' shows and dates look out for our e-shots and consult our website: [www.clever-pants.com](http://www.clever-pants.com)

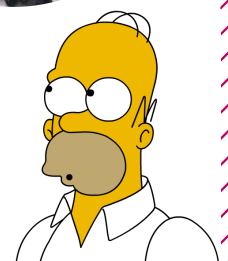
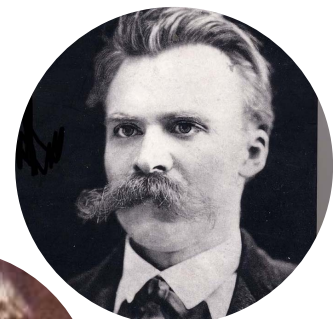
## October quotes from the great and good!

You tried your best and you failed miserably. The lesson is: "Never Try."  
– Homer Simpson

The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like, and do what you'd rather not.  
– Mark Twain

He who has a why to live can bear almost any how.  
– Friedrich Nietzsche

Time is a great teacher. Unfortunately it kills all it's pupils.  
– Louis Hector Berlioz



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## It's Showtime! Here's a rundown of what we have in store this year!

We've been polishing our act, getting ourselves together and brainstorming more jokes and gags than you would think possible to make the shows for this year better than ever. We've reworked and re-invented two of our greatest hits, and added a new show to the mix too. We're terribly excited about this year's tour - we're even going to Italy as well! - so we thought we'd tell you about what you'll be seeing from us on this tour...

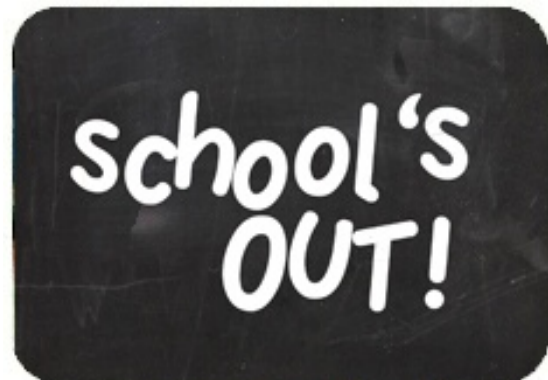


### Midnight Madness (ages 6 - 12)

The return of a firm CLEVER PANTS favourite! One day, out of frustration at her son's unhealthy eating habits, Mickey's mother decides to confiscate his precious chocolate! As a result, Mickey has a terrible nightmare in which he is forced to go in search of more chocolate reserves and goes on a comic adventure full of action, music and colourful characters. The play's carefully graded speech, controlled interaction and subtle repetition enable the audience to help Mickey whilst also addressing the important issues of healthy eating and exercise.

### School's Out! (ages 12 - 16)

This CLEVER PANTS classic is back! Finally, school is over and Danny is looking forward to the long summer holidays. Unfortunately, his plans for carefree fun in the sun are immediately crushed as he is forced to get a job. Nevertheless, Danny's overactive imagination quickly provides an escape from reality and he begins to daydream himself in and out of heroic adventures! Interactive fun is guaranteed in this play full of original songs, comic situations and colourful characters with which students can easily identify.



### Clever Classics (ages 16 - Adult)

Anglo-saxon literature and cinema are full of MYSTERY, ROMANCE & HORROR... a bit like real life. As a tribute to this cultural heritage and as a bit of comic relief, CLEVER PANTS have created an entertaining sketch show with customised versions of these classic genres of page and screen. Using our inimitable interactive style CLEVER PANTS treat the audience to 60 minutes of suspense, sighs and screams - all in full colour with life-sized actors in 3-D!

You can find tour dates, prices and all the other information your heart desires at our spangly website: [www.clever-pants.com](http://www.clever-pants.com)  
Book now to avoid heart-breaking disappointment!

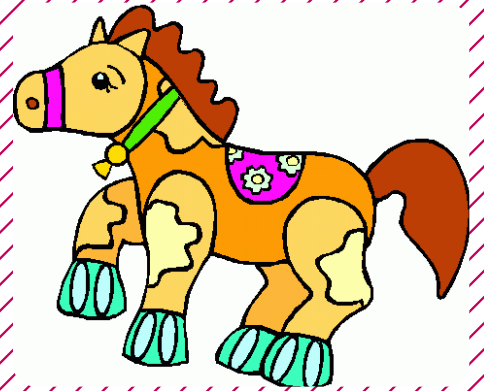
## This month's jokes

Why did the pony go to the doctor?  
Because she was a little horse.

Why did the bee go to the doctor?  
Because he had hives.

Why did the golfer bring two pairs of trousers to the golf course?  
In case he got a hole in one!

What do you call a train that sneezes?  
Achoo-choo train.



## October Trivia - The Delhi Commonwealth Games



This year's games will be the nineteenth International Commonwealth Games - a major global sporting event where fifty four countries go head to head in sports and athletics.

Fifty-two of the countries are former British colonies, and it's from the British Commonwealth of Nations that the games take their name.

To celebrate the Delhi Games this year, here are some facts about them we have collected for your pleasure!

- The XIX Commonwealth Games will be in Delhi, India - held from Oct 3 to Oct 14, 2010.
- The opening and closing ceremony will be at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium on Oct 3 and Oct 14 respectively.
- This will be the first time India has hosted the Games and only the second time the event has been held in Asia. The previous Asian host city was Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 1998.
- The Delhi Games Village is to be constructed as a low rise medium development on a 40 acre site in the heart of the capital with a possible capacity for 8,500 athletes and officials.
- Delhi won the right to host the 2010 Games by defeating the Canadian city of Hamilton by 46 votes to 22 at the CGF General Assembly held in Montego Bay in November 2003.
- Among the 71 participating countries, 10 are in Europe, 13 in Oceania, 15 in the Caribbean, 8 in Asia, 6 in the Americas and 19 in Africa.
- The New Zealand dependency of Tokelau is expected to take part in it's first Commonwealth Games in Delhi.

## Recipe - Apple Crumble

This classic English dessert is easy and simple to make, and perfect for the chilly Autumn evenings starting in October. Plus it's an excellent excuse to have custard - as if we need one.

### Ingredients

200g plain flour,  
100g butter,  
100g sugar,  
Big spoon of dark  
brown sugar,  
2 cooking apples,  
A handful of  
mixed fruit.

### Method

First you need to peel, chop and core the apples.  
Rub together the flour and butter until they are at bread crumb consistency, then mix in the granulated sugar.  
Put the apples in a dish and sprinkle the mixed fruit and dark brown sugar over them.  
Then sprinkle on the crumble mix and put in a 180 degrees centigrade oven for 30 mins so that it is golden brown.  
Serve with (loads and loads of) custard or ice cream.



## Viral Videos

This month we have sorted through the content of youtube once again to bring you only the very best of what's available online for your delictation!

This month there's more from the story of stuff team, plus some great music from OK GO!, and a truly amazing play with words. Enjoy!

1. Our top video this month is this beautiful short film by Radiolab and NPR, simply titled "words". Watch and see how many of the words you can spot!

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j0HfwkArpvU&feature=player\\_embedded](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j0HfwkArpvU&feature=player_embedded)

2. We LOVE OK GO! The music is alright, but these guys have reinvented the music video and turned it into an artform! We like them so much we've put them at 3 and 4 in our chart this month!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qybUFnY7Y8w>

This looks like a lot of fun!

3. And we do love the doggies!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nHIJODYBLKs&feature=related>

4. We love the story of stuff, and watching this animation has made us - and our students - much more aware of the environmental impact of bottled water!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Se12y9hSOM0>



## Quick Word Quiz - Hallowe'en

On October 31st it will be Hallowe'en. We thought we'd give you a little vocabulary Quiz to fill your coffee break and test your knowledge.  
See if you can unscramble our Halloweeny words!

Going to people's houses on Halloween hoping to get something lovely or deliver something nasty!

**RACKTIERTORT**

A famous Vampire from Transylvania.

**CARLAUD**

Something you should watch on Halloween!

**AROVEMOHRIOR**

Someone's who's dead, but is still searching for something to eat - usually brains!

**IBMZOE**



The orange vegetable we use to make Halloween lanterns.

**MINKPUP**

The lanterns we make out of orange vegetables!

**AKLANCRESTJON**

What's left of you when you've got no skin, fat, muscle or organs.

**ELKSETON**

Somewhere you wouldn't want to sleep if you're afraid of ghosts!

**AHUEDHOESTUN**

## A-CET

This year we will once again be working with the African Children's Educational Trust, donating money for every show we do to helping develop educational projects in Africa.

For more information visit their website at [www.a-cet.org](http://www.a-cet.org)

Top eco-tip: if you print the newsletter out, do it in black and white at low resolution to reduce your use of ink.

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