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Looking for things that go bump.....and it's all in a good cause!

A group of brave staff from the University of Central Lancashire hope to meet up with some of the unearthly residents of Muncaster Castle, reputed to be one of the country's most haunted castles.

The self-styled 'eccentric eight', who work as administrators at the Preston Campus are travelling out to Muncaster in Ravenglass on the night of Friday 14 March, Comic Relief Night. As well as meeting the ghosts and having a bit of fun (!), they hope to raise lots of money for a worthy cause.

"We are going to be locked in for the night", says organiser Janet Cornes. "We will be restricted to two rooms, one of which is the Tapestry Room, the most haunted room in the castle. It used to be a childrens' nursery and previous guests have heard babies crying and children singing. Black figures have also been sighted bending over guests and some people have felt a heavy weight falling on top of them in the antique four-poster bed. We've had an email from another group who spent the night there. They say that we're either very brave or very stupid!"

Undaunted, the intrepid crew, consisting of a healthy mixture of believers and non-believers, hopes to be released at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning, ready to have their own spirits raised by a hearty breakfast.

If you want to sponsor the group, or find out some more information, you can call WendyYoung or Janet Cornes on 01772 892446/6.

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