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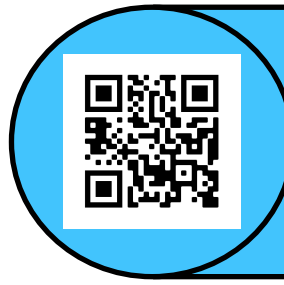
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The Overview

By: Tom Crispin



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As we all know, Queen Elizabeth II is approaching 70. Throughout that time, she has achieved much and on June 2nd, 1953, in Westminster Abbey, Elizabeth was crowned by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Geoffrey Fisher, in front of a large crowd of officials. The event was televised all over the world from Australia to Canada.

Since then, she has been very involved in British society. Firstly, she performed her key role in parliament, signing 3135 laws and appearing to the nation in times of distress (such as the COVID-19 pandemic) and times of celebration (like her traditional Christmas speeches). Secondly, she has celebrated those of particular success by handing out a total of 380,630 honours and awards including over a thousand knighthoods. In addition, she has sent almost 100,000 telegrams to people marking their centenaries and received around 3 million items of correspondence.

Queen Elizabeth has not just been involved in British society but in those who are part of the Commonwealth. She has undertaken over 250 different overseas visits to more than 120 different countries, during which she has had a great chance to discover more about different cultures across the world. Many unusual live gifts have been given to The Queen on foreign tours. These include: two tortoises given to The Queen in the Seychelles in 1972; a seven-year-old bull elephant called "Jumbo" given to Her Majesty by the President of Cameroon in 1972 to mark The Queen's Silver Wedding, and a canary given to The Queen after the State visit to Germany in 1965.

Queen Elizabeth has also made huge contributions to the commonwealth since she began leading it in 1952. Every year she is in conferences with the leaders of the other nations to ensure that a message of peace is spread throughout.

Over the past 70 years so many amazing contributions to our nation and the commonwealth means that we must always remember Queen Elizabeth II as one of our finest monarchs

What is the world doing?

By: Luke Crispin

As the Platinum Jubilee approaches, you might be wondering: What is Britain (and indeed the world) doing? Well I Luke Crispin will be telling you about what we are doing as a country. Firstly, we have the pudding competition. This was launched by Fortnum and Masons to find the best pudding that someone could invent to commemorate the 70 years the queen has been on the throne. The winner was Jemma Melvin with her lemon Swiss roll and amaretti trifle.

Next, we are celebrating through the Lighting of the beacons. The United Kingdom's long tradition of celebrating Royal Jubilees Weddings & Coronations through lighting beacons. Beacons will be lit throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories.

Celebrations will see famous faces from the world of entertainment brought together to perform for a night of musical tributes to celebrate the Jubilee. 22,000 people will attend the event in London including 10,000 allocated in a public ballot and 5,000 tickets for key workers.

Rickrolling

By: Luke Adkins

Rickrolling or a Rickroll, is an Internet meme involving an unexpected appearance of the music video for the 1987 song "Never Gonna Give You Up," performed by the singer Rick Astley. The meme is a type of disguised hyperlink that leads to the music video. When victims click on a seemingly unrelated link, the site with the music video loads instead of what was expected, and they have been "Rickrolled". The meme has also extended to using the song's lyrics, or singing it, in unexpected contexts. Astley himself has also been Rickrolled several times.



Spotlight On...

By: Edward King-Proudlove

CHESS CLUB

When is the chess club on?

Chess club is on every Tuesday in A14 at 12:30

Why would someone even want to go to chess club?

You could also get a chance to play Mr gardener in a very difficult game.

Some people have also beaten him.

Well maybe they are either very good at chess or they want to show everyone how to play chess because it is a very fun but competitive game. If you can't play you can learn the interesting and slightly difficult game.

Why is it very popular?

It is popular because people like to play chess because it is very popular game to play and it is very competitive and people like, a good challenge It does not matter if you cannot play you will get taught how to play it by one of the members who go

AMD's New GPU

RANT WARNING

By: Luke Adkins

When AMD released a new GPU I was interested but as a team green fan I wasn't exactly jumping out of my seat with excitement on the first look it looks like a normal 3 fan behemoth GPU but on paper its just the same as the Radeon 6900 XT with the same GPU core same number of compute units memory and same size of cache. Its only differences are is its memory speed, where it is 2 Gbps faster and its price where its £220 more and its tdp where it is 35 watts more (yes ladies and gents You heard me right, 2 more Gbps memory, 35 WATTS MORE POWER CONSUMPTION AND AN EXTRA £220 POUNDS MORE FOR WHAT IS ESENTIALY THE SAME GPU JUST FASTER RAM WHICH WILL ONLY REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN BENCHMARKS, rant over and now to the benchmarks) LTT ran the benchmarks and it runs at 85MHz faster in game and with a boost 110MHz faster. In F1 2021 AMD is favoured over NVidia but with ray tracing enabled NVidia holds onto its crown quite comfortably, its a similar story for Far Cry 6 but this time the game devs haven't picked sides and the gap is a bit smaller with the 3090 ti being only 4 fps away on standard and with ray tracing NVidia pulling ahead by 1fps extra. But when it comes to blender AMD have still pulled ahead wit a 30 second increase in gooseberry. PugetBench tests show that the 3090 ti still stays ahead in after effects and they are equal with adobe Photoshop but in premier the 6950 XT pulls ahead by almost a score difference of 50. But Indigo and LuXMark v4 pulls ahead for Nvidia. So, in conclusion the 6950 XT is a rival for the 3080 ti but don't worry NVidia you're still safe with your obnoxiously priced 3090 ti that I love.

Tips for Bottles

By: Abigail Brown

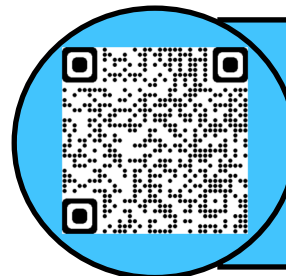
The ocean is said to be Earth's life support, with 97% of the world's water held by the ocean. We rely on it to regulate our climate, absorb

CO2 and it is the number one source for protein for over a billion people.

However, at the rate we are polluting the ocean with around 12.7 million tonnes of plastic a year, the damage we are doing to marine life and our ecosystem is becoming irreparable

So, as something to help, here is my first 'cute craft': how to reuse upcycle plastic bottles!

- 1) Bird feeder: poke holes in the side and place sticks in as perches, put in more holes, make a hole in the top and thread string through, and fill!
- 2) Mini bug house: cut the top off a bottle and fill with sticks and plant matter (stuff), and put in a wild spot
- 3) Pen pot: nice simple one, cut the top off and decorate as you feel fit
- 4) Plant pot: cut the top off, and fill with soil
- 5) Simply reuse it! :)



This video will give you some more tips

Spotlight On... EXTRA

By: Finlay Jones

Hi! I'm Finlay and each edition I interview teachers so you can learn a bit more about them.

Q&A with Mrs Howard (English Teacher)

Who is your favourite character?

"I really love Titania from A Midsummer Night's Dream because she's free-thinking, independent and not afraid of anyone."

Who is your favourite author?

"I think my favourite would have to be Bill Bryson purely because he observed everything but in a way that is funny."

What is your favourite book?

"I love "The Catcher in the Rye" because I could relate to it, having an older brother and me being a teenager."

Why did you choose English?

"I absolutely love reading and grew up with it, I always got books for gifts and went to many book clubs. They were almost an early passport to places around the world and gave me a lot of ideas of places I want to visit now I'm older."

What's your favourite part of English?

"I like the language part of it, teaching people good speaking listening and communication skills."

Where else have you taught?

"I have taught in Japan, USA, Australia and the UK"

What was your funniest moment?

"It was Red Nose Day and at the school where I was teaching the teachers would dress up as children in uniform and the children as teachers. But when I got to the bus (I took the bus to work) the bus driver charged me a student fee! It was even the same bus driver who knew me from every morning I went to school! He said he would have never recognised a thing if I hadn't spoken up about the wrong fee!"

The Buxton Sea Cadets

By: Isabella Williams

What are Sea Cadets?

The Buxton Sea Cadets is a club outside of school up near the police station, it runs on a Tuesday night 7:00 – 9:00 at night and is available for ages from 10 upwards it costs £2:50 on a Tuesday and £5:00 on a Saturday.

What do we do?

Uniform

There are two sets of uniform (best rig and 4s). Best rig is the formal uniform worn on inspection nights and parade's such as Remembrance Sunday it may look complicated but once you get use to it its quite easy. 4s is the regular uniform worn on a Tuesday.

Tuesday

On a Tuesday we do lots of different activities such as rope work, piping, team building, drill, first aid and many more. At the start and end of the evening we do something called colours and evening colours which you will get to know about more If you join.

Saturday

On a Saturday you could come down to Eurwood reservoir to do things like power boating, sailing, windsurfing plus many others.

Cause

There are lots of exciting opportunities in sea cadets like to go on cause and earn achievements. Some of the cause that are reguli open are seamanship, marine engineering, and cooking. At the end you can wear badges for your uniform and then level up from basics to intermediate.

If you have any more questions I will be happy to answer so you can email me at 21Willlsa@buxton.deryshire.sch.uk.

Q&A with Mrs Mirtle

By: Luke Adkins

How long have you been governing at our school ?

“No certain date but about 50 years so that’s about 1972”

How did you become a governor ?

“Me and my husband were on holiday and our son called us and said our solicitors wanted to talk to us so we thought it was a problem with the house! But it turns out that he wanted me to become a governor for the school as he was the head governor from then on it just snowballed and one thing lead to another and then she became head governor”

What was most interesting about being a governor ?

“Choosing Staff (even cleaning or catering)”

Where did you go to school ?

“Glasgow”

What was your favourite subject when you were at school?

“Maths”

Making Our Ukrainian Students Welcome

To make our Ukrainian Refugees feel welcome; here are a few phrases that you could use.

Hello = привіт (privet)

Good morning = добрий ранок (dobry ranok)

My name is ... what is yours? мене звати ... як тебе? (mwhenes zvaty yak te-beh)

Nice to meet you = приємно познайомитись (pre emno poznya omitis)

It is unacceptable to joke about what’s happening in Ukraine. Please understand that this could be a very, very sensitive subject to various people around us.

Jubilee Competition

We are hosting a competition for the Platinum Jubilee, You will be entered into a competition for a Jubilee related prize,

Enter the URL into your web browser or scan the QR code.



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Closes: 13th July

An MP gets kidnapped every year

By: Haydn Smith

It's not what you think, trust me.

Every year when the Queen's Speech comes round and the Black Rod bangs on the door to the Commons there is one MP not present. That MP has been kidnapped by the Queen.

It's a tradition that goes back to the run up to the English Civil War, when King Charles entered Parliament his people would kidnap an MP and take him back to Buckingham Palace so the Commons had a reason not to do anything to the king while he was there, otherwise the same punishment would be put on the MP. If all goes well and the Monarch exits Parliament without a scratch the MP gets released

Obviously an MP hasn't been hurt in modern history as the threat of MP's hurting the Monarch has long passed but it's a funny tradition that is still upkept as a nod to England's quite troubled past.

Rebecca's Spring Watch II



Jokes

Did you hear about the
claustrophobic astronaut?

He just needed a
little space.

Why don't scientists trust
atoms?

Because they make
up everything.

Where are average things
manufactured?

The Satisfactory

What did the Tin Man say when
he got run over by a steamroller?

"Curses! Foil again!"

Luke's Lunches

Welcome back to the 3rd recipe for the BCS Press's food column. Now, let me tell you that I have tasted loads of different brownie recipes, but this one from The Week has got to be among the best.

The Ultimate Chocolate Brownies

Ingredients

- 200g unsalted butter, chopped into rough cubes, plus extra for greasing
- 300g dark chocolate (around 70% cocoa solids), roughly broken into pieces
- 300g caster sugar
- 3 large eggs and 1 large egg yolk, lightly beaten
- 50g plain flour
- 60g cocoa powder
- ½ tsp sea salt, plus extra to sprinkle

Method

- 1) Preheat the oven to 180°C.
- 2) Grease a 20cm square tin and line with baking parchment.
- 3) Put the butter and chocolate in a saucepan over a low heat and melt, stirring, until combined.
- 4) Stir in the sugar, then take off the heat. Cool for 5mins, until warm to the touch rather than scalding hot.
- 5) Add the eggs to the pan and quickly stir to combine.
- 6) Now beat, using a handheld electric whisk, on a medium-high speed, for about 3 mins; the mixture will become thick and velvety.
- 7) Sift over the flour, cocoa powder and salt, and gently fold in with a spatula or large metal spoon until just combined.
- 8) Transfer the mixture to your prepared tin – it will be rather thick – spreading the mix into the corners.
- 9) Bake for 30-35mins. It should be set on top, with a few cracks around the edge. Cool in the tin for at least two hours before cutting into squares, then sprinkle crunchy sea salt on top.

The Book Review

By: Millie Baldwin

Hello! I'm Millie.J.Baldwin

I'm a massive fan of reading, you may remember me for the book reviews I did for the Buxton Bugle.

If you have any book reviews that you want to share with the school, then email me at 18baldmil@buxton.derbyshire.sch.uk.

You Again by Nick Spalding

This is the first book by Nick Spalding I read, and it was hilarious, I've read a lot more of his books since.

You again? is a humorous book set in the perspective of two people, Amy and Joel, swapping person each chapter. This book is set in the Maldives, a beautiful tropical island where Joel and Amy had their honeymoon years ago. Amy and Joel are now divorced and have moved on with their lives. Amy now has a boyfriend and Joel now has a girlfriend. Since their marriage ended badly, they have not spoken since the divorce.

Little did they know, they were going to see each other again on a tiny island where they had their honeymoon years ago.

With spiteful squabbles and petty revenge, this book is a hilarious read with a shocking plot. I recommend this book and anything else written by Nick Spalding, a man 'physically unable to write anything other than comedy'.

The Monthly Read

By: Rachel

Chapter 3

His eyes squinted, dizzy from the spinning pitch less black world that danced him into a dim fuzzy haze that he was sure he would never escape. his ears blocked any sound except the haunting whistle of him falling through nothingness, sounding disturbingly like someone screaming in the most horrifying torture. The smell of stony water and the strange whiff of distant burning confused him, could they possibly about to plunge to their deaths into some out-of-control amber flames and would leave this world being burned alive...their flesh sizzling and organs dissolving away until they were nothing more than a pile of ashes. He could see a faint orangey gold speck of light which seemed to be living on the bottom of the tunnel...fire...he was sure of it. It seemed stay the same size, but he knew it was slowly becoming bigger and bigger gradually because they were so very far away from their destination. Hours seemed to pass as he fell, days, months, years, decades, centuries. He thought up a theory that Katie and he were falling through time, he stared at Katis very serious looking face...the orangey glow reflected off it so she could make out all her facial details, every blemish, freckle, and every slightly creased wrinkles of her forehead...or was it becoming more wrinkled, he was sprouting a beard and he didn't even know it. He felt his face gingerly...not even a prickle of beard, he didn't know whether he was relieved or not. But instead, he felt a scar and a memory formed in his mind from when he was three years old and was pretending to shave like his dad. Then as he looked back down towards the ground, it was rushing up to meet him.

Then, feeling of dread washed over him...seconds before they hit the floor. The ground was not solid...nor a gas but a sloshing amber liquid, an intense heatwave washed over him...like when you opened the oven to check on a cake. It frothed and bubbled...it was lava.

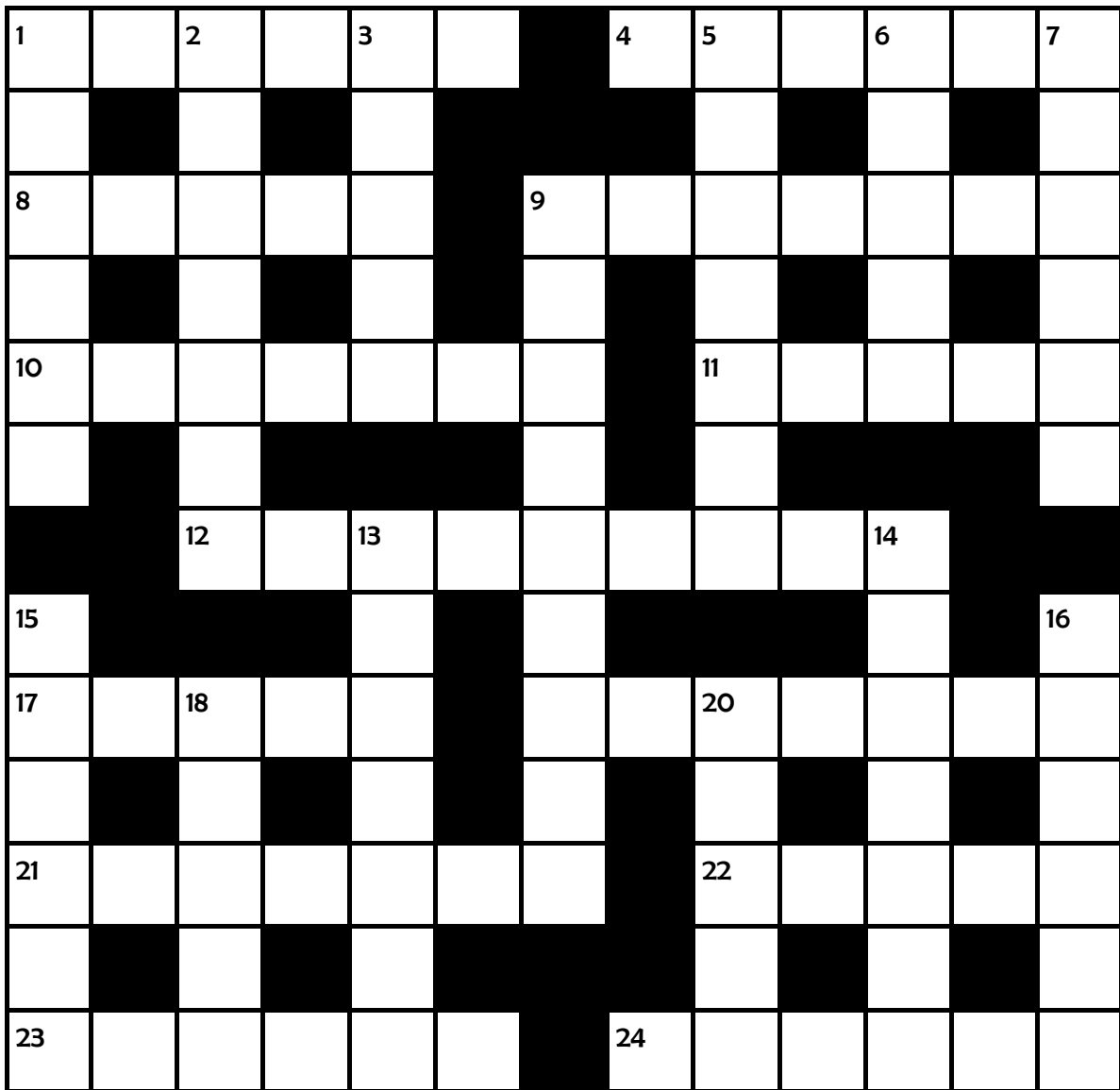
He yelled out in shock and closed his eyes...waiting to be swallowed up and dissolved like a bath bomb thrown into a sizzling hot tub. He and Katie had officially committed suicide...they were going to die.

Then...out of a blue...a weird sensation washed over him...almost like he was floating. The temperature had risen sensationally, now wherever this strange place was it was like a sauna but ten times hotter. But strangely he wasn't dead...he knew from his childhood science lessons that a human could survive up to forty-four degrees but here he was fully awake with absolutely no means of going into a hazy trance and eventually dying. He couldn't say he didn't feel a thing as the heat still affected him even if it didn't kill him. His skin was tanned and panting, his hair greasy with sweat, his mouth dry and desperate for water and he had a strong desire to peel of his onesie though stupidly he'd forgotten to put something on underneath. He opened his eyes...he was right in some ways, they were floating...inches from the ground but they weren't in a sauna of any sort...but that had to wait...the bright glow of the magma was blinding him-

Then a pair of what must have been very strong good sunglasses, were pressed against his eyes and he instantly recovered, he was okay...they were going to live.

Puzzles!

Crossword



ACROSS

- 1 Church room for keeping sacred vessels and garments (6)
- 4 Fixed (6)
- 8 Pretence with intent to deceive (5)
- 9 Two-wheeled vehicle with pedals (7)
- 10 Two-wheeled toy with floorboard (7)
- 11 Purchaser (5)
- 12 Bemused (9)
- 17 Automaton (5)
- 19 Laborious effort (7)
- 21 Plumber's friend? (7)
- 22 Surface, perhaps carpeted (5)
- 23 Disprove (6)
- 24 Sinuous and seductive (informal) (6)

DOWN

- 1 Small suitcase (6)
- 2 By-product (4-3)
- 3 Rectify (5)
- 5 Container used by children for taking food to boarding school (7)
- 6 Tawdry (5)
- 7 Dark sour morello fruit used in cooking (6)
- 9 Atmospheric pressure measurer (9)
- 13 Anxious and controlling (7)
- 14 Coerce (7)
- 15 Textile fabrics seller (6)
- 16 Sudden commotion (6)
- 18 Attempted deception (5)
- 20 Shocking (5)

Sudoku

The objective of Sudoku is to fill a 9x9 grid made of squares so that each row, each column, and each bold 3x3 square use the numbers 1-9. While solving the sudoku puzzle you can only use each number one time in the square, column, and row.

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Wordsearch

- Bleed
- Halve
- Hinterland
- Jamboree
- Lisp
- Minimum
- Mixed
- Olympic
- Pointing
- Pulley
- Stricken
- Trike
- Tropic
- Underwear
- Warn

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Answers in next issue

Puzzle Answers

See if you got our puzzles right from our last issue:

Sudoku

2	7	6	8	9	5	3	1	4
1	9	4	3	6	2	7	8	5
5	8	3	4	7	1	2	9	6
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Minesweeper

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