

# Newsletter 22 – Spring 2



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## This Week's Events

Date	School Events	International Events
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Y4 Gymnastics County Finals 9:30am-12:30pm	
Thursday	Y5&6 Timperly Shield Football Tournament 12:30pm-4pm	
Friday		
<b>Advanced Notice:</b>	EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Sports Day Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	
<b>Polite Notice:</b>	<b>Please note the school office opens at 8.30am each morning and is manned until 4.30pm. Before and after these times, there will be no access to the Main Reception area.</b>	

### We are Brilliant Winners

EYFS: Freya (RA), Harry (RB)

KS1: Haider (1B), Kacper (2A), Ali (2B)

KS2: Elle (3A), Finley (3B) Isabelle (4A)

### The Hubs

The children from Hub 3 were kindly invited to a sports competition at the local college this week. They had great fun accessing lots of activities and trying out some things that they had not tried before.



## Nursery

This week we have been learning to create and extend coloured patterns using teddy bears. Throughout the week we have sorted a variety of healthy and unhealthy food. We explored different types of animal food too!



## Reception

This week we have been learning about Antarctica and Sir David Attenborough. When we found out that he does not like to email, we decided to write him some letters about the animals we like and how we can help protect our world.

w.c. 10.3.25  
L.O I can write a letter.


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Dear Sir David Attenborough,  
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I like beavers

From,  
Amelia

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Dear Sir David Attenborough,

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From,  
maddie

## Year 1

As part of British Science week, we have had a visit from Ali who works at the RSPCA. We started with an assembly where Ali shared about what RSPCA stands for and the work they do. Before, Ali then worked with year 1 to create sock nests where birds can come and collect materials to make their nests.



## Year 2

This week, we recreated the fire of London using the Tudor houses that we had made. We started our fire in the bakery and watched as it spread to the neighbouring houses. We learnt the song 'London's Burning' to sing as the houses burnt down and thought about the rhythm of the song. We represented the long and short sounds with shapes.



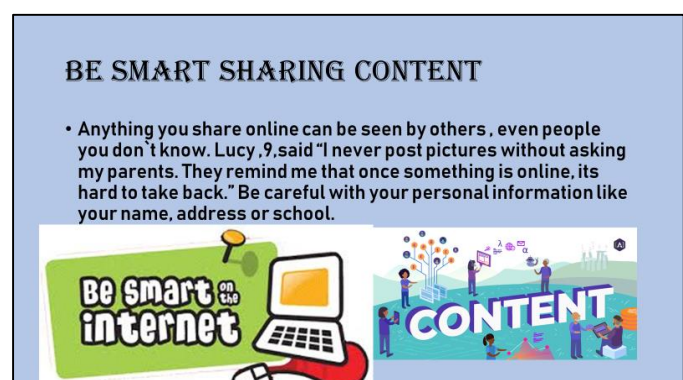
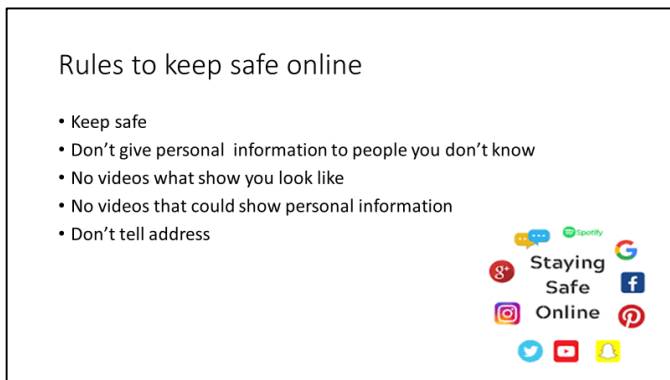
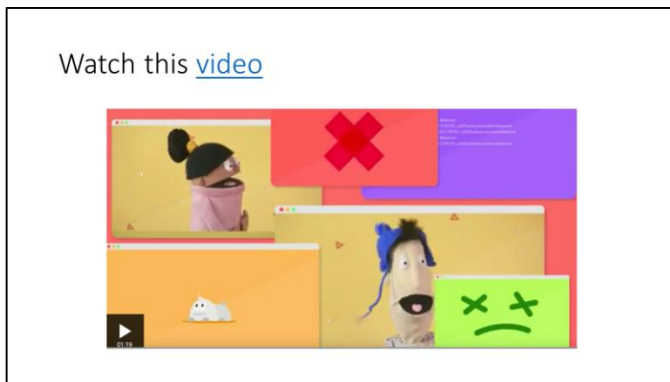
### Year 3

This week in science, Year 3 have had lots of fun investigating magnetic materials.



### Year 4

This week, as part of our Reading Unit on Online Safety, Year 4 created a PowerPoint presentation in pairs. They learnt how to create a hyperlink to a video all about staying safe online, too! Here are some of their slides...



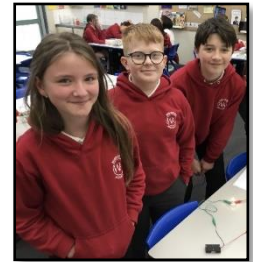
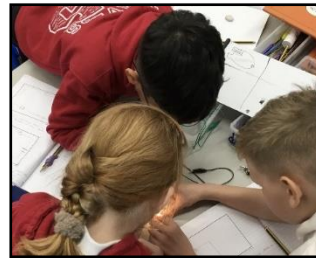
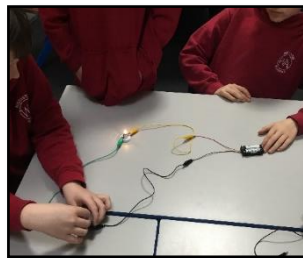
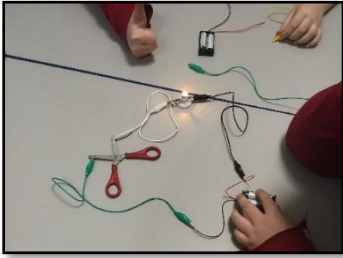
## Year 5

In DT this week, we have been making seasonal pies. The children have learnt about seasonality, created recipes, baked and tasted their pies. We have had a brilliant DT week!



## Year 6

In this week's science lesson, we were able to investigate how we can adapt a simple circuit to make bulbs brighter or dimmer. Throughout, we ensured that only one element of the circuit was changed, while everything else remained the same. We recorded our findings by drawing circuit diagrams to explain our results. We then even experimented with other components like buzzers to see how we could make the sound quieter or louder.



## Art News

### Whole School Exhibition

This week we enjoyed celebrating our children's artwork at our two parents' evenings by hosting a whole school exhibition. We were delighted to have Fiona Sherwood with us, author of "Pip Finds The Calm" – a yoga story that our children illustrated. If you would like to order a book, please go to "Musicbox Meditations" online, to order a copy! It was wonderful to show our work to our families and to chat with parents who came to see it all together.







### Performing Arts News

On Wednesday, our African drumming group – Djembefola, took part in Love Music Trust’s Regional Ensemble competition. The standard of musicianship from all the schools involved was incredible and our children loved watching and listening to a wide range of musical instruments. We were absolutely thrilled to be awarded second place! This means we are through to the final, which will be held in June!

A huge congratulations to all of our young musicians!

If you would like to see our performance, please follow the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NSObwfmRCcY>



## PE News

### KS2 girls biggest ever football festival

Last Friday girls from years 3-6 took part in the biggest ever football festival at Crewe Soccer Centre. The girls played 7 games in total and won 6 of them. Well done Caitlyn, Pranavi, Pheobe, Freya, Shaylea, Ginger, Madison, Angel, Helin and Ella-Rose!

### British Science Week in PE

During PE lessons this week children have taken part in adapted games. Children have experienced games such as boccia, blind football, seated basketball, beach ball volleyball and Paralympic athletics. Our focus has been about disabilities and overcoming challenge, something the children have done really well!



## Maths News

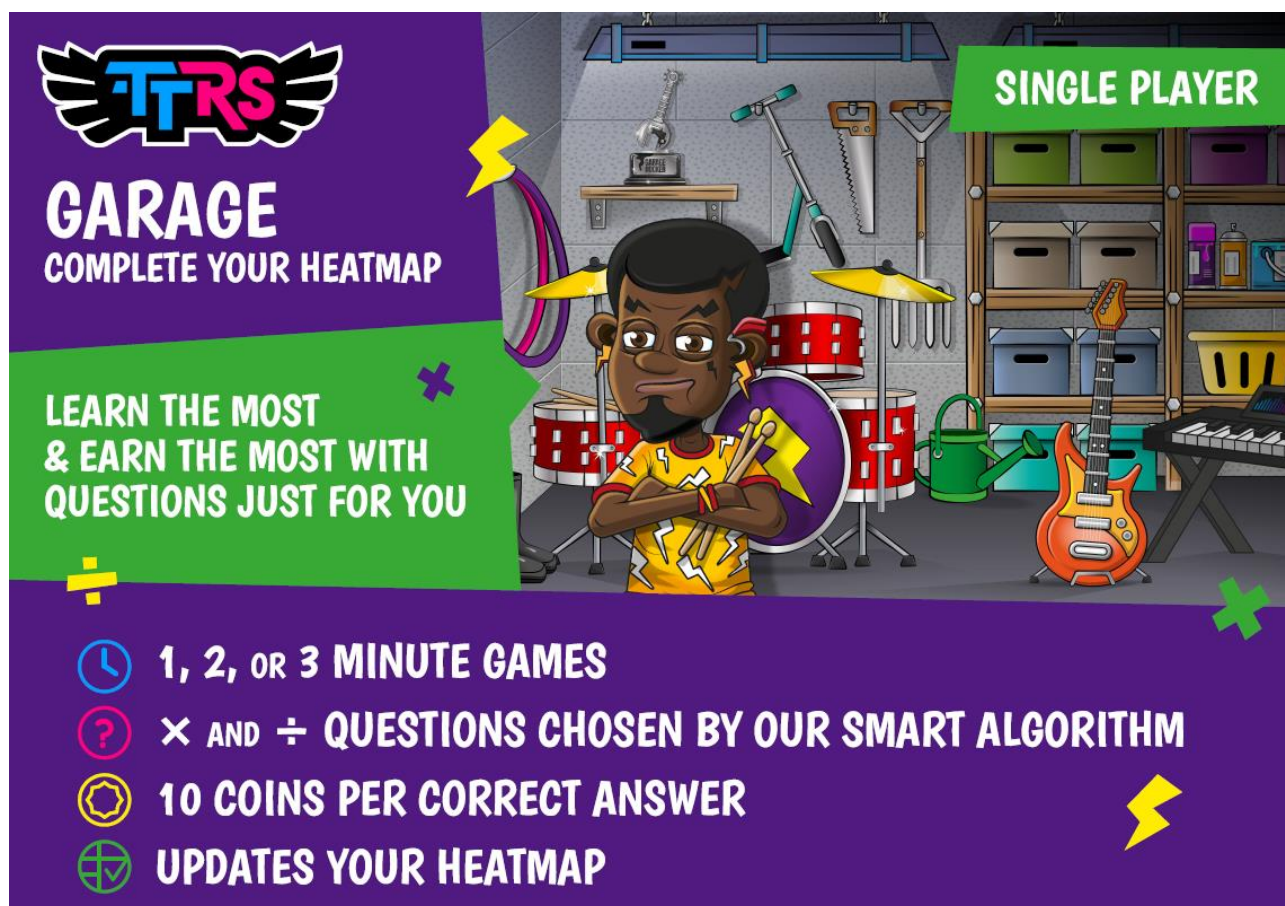
All children from Reception onwards will have access to an app called **Numbots**. If your child is in Year 2 and above, they will also have access to an app called **Times Table Rocks Stars (TTRS)**.

Logging on for just a few minutes each day will make a massive difference to their basic number/times tables skills.

Check out the dedicated TTRS website for parents to answer any questions

<https://trockstars.com/parents/>

### TTRS game focus:

The image shows a promotional graphic for the TTRS 'Garage' game. It features a cartoon character, a man with a beard and a yellow shirt with lightning bolts, standing in a garage filled with musical instruments like a drum set, guitar, and keyboard. The background is a grey wall with various tools hanging on it. The graphic is divided into several colored sections: a purple top-left section with the TTRS logo and 'GARAGE COMPLETE YOUR HEATMAP', a green middle-left section with 'LEARN THE MOST & EARN THE MOST WITH QUESTIONS JUST FOR YOU', and a purple bottom section with a list of game features. A green banner in the top right says 'SINGLE PLAYER'. There are also several colorful icons (lightning bolts, plus signs, minus signs) scattered around the text.

**TTRS**

**GARAGE**  
COMPLETE YOUR HEATMAP

**SINGLE PLAYER**

LEARN THE MOST  
& EARN THE MOST WITH  
QUESTIONS JUST FOR YOU

- 1, 2, OR 3 MINUTE GAMES
- × AND ÷ QUESTIONS CHOSEN BY OUR SMART ALGORITHM
- 10 COINS PER CORRECT ANSWER
- UPDATES YOUR HEATMAP

# TAKEHOME

10th - 16th  
March



## How can we make connections with others?



## In the news this week

The Princess of Wales has recently shared pictures, drawn by herself, Prince George, Princess Charlotte, and Prince Louis, of each other. The artworks, shared on social media, are part of the Shaping Us campaign, which highlights how we develop skills to connect with others from a young age. The pictures also aim to raise awareness of an exhibition, launched by The Princess, at the National Portrait Gallery in London, encouraging children to explore their relationships and feelings.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your thoughts on the drawings. Have you ever drawn a portrait of someone? Do you think this type of activity could help build connections with others?
- Can you think of any other ways you can connect with others around you?
- Talk to someone at home about some of the people you are connected to.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments



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# CAR WASH

Nantwich Fire Station  
Saturday 15th March  
11am to 3pm



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# CREWE SPRING FESTIVAL OF FUN 2025

5th - 20th April



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Join in our FREE school holiday fun this Easter with crafts, nature activities, songs, stories and play!



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