



# Round up: Issue 07

## Secondary

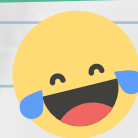
Welcome to our school newsletter where this week's theme is 'How are we keeping in touch?' We've had to find lots of creative ways to keep in touch with friends and family during this challenging time but it's really important to keep talking and laughing together!

Do keep sharing everything that you have been doing and, next week, we will look forward to hearing What's making us happy? You can email contributions to [events@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:events@wiltshire.gov.uk)

The current situation has affected all manner of things, from the way we learn to the way we keep in touch with one another. We have all had to adjust to life under lockdown and find new ways to communicate. Luckily, we have computers and mobile phones to help us with this especially for example, FaceTime, WhatsApp, video-conferencing and Facebook.

Even though it is difficult to think of time when there were no computers and mobile phones, these inventions are relatively new and only came into wider use during the 1990s. Before then, your grand-parents would have only talked over the home phone or from a phone box, which was quite expensive, or send letters through the post! People have relied on sending letters for over 500 years and even today, there is something special about receiving a letter through the post. To find out about the fascinating history of The Royal Mail see below.

Please ask your parent/carer to share with us any pictures (attach the picture as a jpeg to your email) and a few words on what you've been up to during the current times and we'll do our best to put them in the next edition or share them on our social media. You can email your contributions to [events@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:events@wiltshire.gov.uk) but please do so by 5pm each Tuesday. Any pictures sent over will only be used in the newsletter or our social media but photos are stored for two years and then deleted.



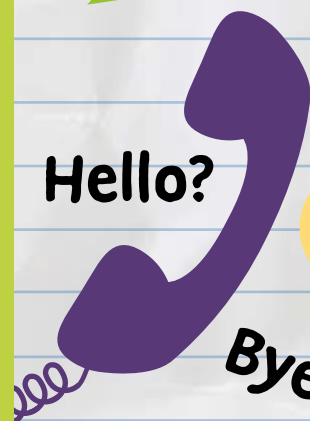
Hello Grandma !!

Hello! How are you doing? xxx

Hello?



Bye bye!




TELEPHONE



Kind regards...



## Message from Wiltshire Police



As we spend more time at home, we're all spending more time online. We've seen a huge increase in everyone using social media to stay in touch, dancing to 'Tik Tok's', having a 'Houseparty' or having a laugh with different backgrounds on 'Zoom'.

But we want to make sure you're staying safe in the digital world! Online is a great place to meet with friends but remember people are not who they say they are, so always think before you share information and pictures about yourself.

Lots of information and advice on social media is available on our website. If you need further help and support or want to talk about your worries, concerns there are support groups available to help you through this.

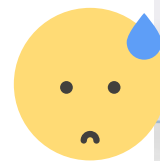
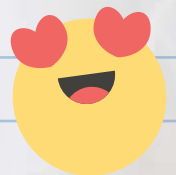
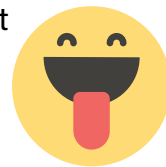
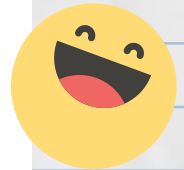
If you need to report your concerns or an incident that has happened online please give us a call on **101** or **999** in an emergency.

### Keeping in touch

- Fancy becoming part of the Police?
- Want to know more about what we do on a daily basis from a young angle?
- Want to see the uniform?

Follow us on: Twitter: @wiltspolyouth  
Instagram: @wiltspolyouth

We promote local Community Policing Teams working with children and young people, our Mini Police units around Wiltshire and Swindon and general safety messages on these channels, so if you want to keep in touch with us, get following!



Next week, when we celebrate 'what makes us happy?' we will share more fun children are having taking part in Mini Police units!

## Abbeyfield school

The students of Abbeyfield took up the challenge of creating a beautiful card for a loved one.

Here are some different ways in which Abbeyfield students are keeping in touch with friends and family:

**Hayley:** I have sent a parcel to my cousin in America for her birthday soon. We wrote her a card and gave her some presents, including some British food.

**Shyla:** I FaceTime and call or message my friends and family but we mainly FaceTime my family to do our weekly quizzes on Sunday which always ends up with us all in stitches from laughter.

**Robyn:** I have kept in contact with my friends from school through normal messaging and with my friends from other clubs I have used online group chats.

**Izzy:** I recently bought myself an Xbox so have started playing online games with friends, a lot who I haven't spoken to in a long time so that's really nice. I also have a weekly FaceTime call with the girls from school and FaceTime others every now and then (still more than I used to).

**Callum:** I'm writing and sending pictures to my Nan who lives in Eastbourne, East Sussex.

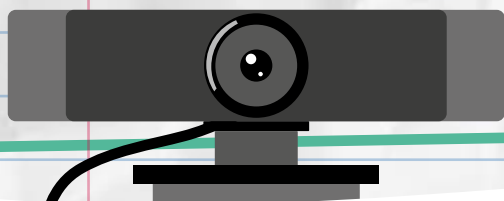
**Nathan:** My friends and I are having weekly quizzes where we each take it in turn to make it. It's such a laugh and a great way to catch up with each other.



**Aaron:** I have been keeping in touch with friends using WhatsApp video calling, text messages, Zoom and "through the car window" when delivering shopping to elderly grandparents.

**Ewan:** We have Monopoly which we play online with my family and I've been playing Fortnite with one of my friends.

**Esme:** At the moment I'm talking to friends and family through snapchat and phone calls, I've also wrote a letter to a friend which I know they loved.



## Mobile phone facts



### How many of these mobile phone facts do you actually know?

The first mobile phone call was made in 1974 by Martin Cooper. He was an inventor at Motorola.

The first mobile phone was developed at a time when there wasn't even a cordless phone for the home. It weighed 1kg, same weight as a bag of sugar!

The first mobile phone went on sale in the United States at a whopping price of almost \$4,000 in 1983. In today's terms, that's roughly \$9 000 (£8,500).

Your mobile phone has more computing power than the computer used for the Apollo 11 moon landing.

The average mobile phone has 19 times more bacteria than a toilet handle. Oh, and more people in the world have a cell phone than a toilet.

The average person unlocks their phone 110 times every day.

## Jokes!

**Knock, knock! Who's there? Ben. Ben who?** Ben awhile since I last saw you

**Q: How does the brain communicate with the nerves?**

**A:** With a Cell phone!

Ha Ha!

**Q: How did the skunk call home?**

**A:** On his smell-ular phone!

Ha Ha!

**Q: What do smartphones have for their lunch?**

**A:** Micro-chips

**Q: Why don't fish use smartphones?**

**A:** Because they don't like the interNET!

**Q: How did the skeleton phone her friends?**

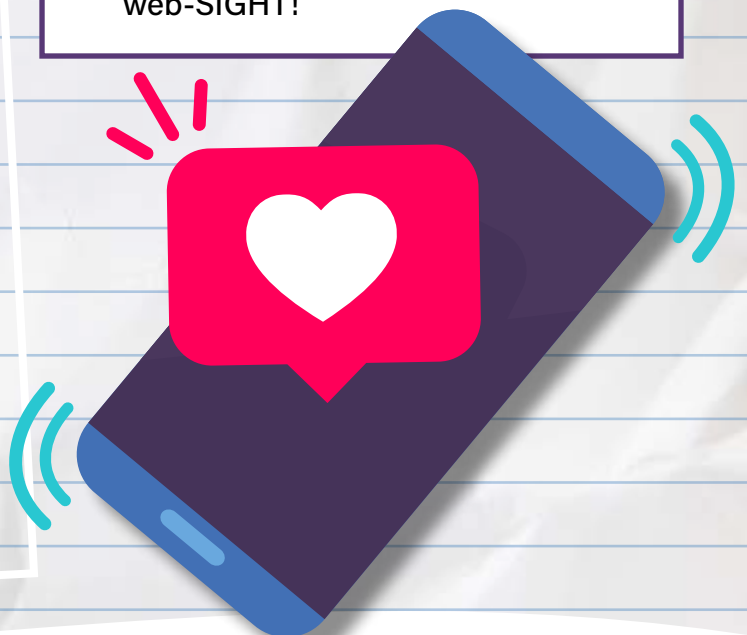
**A:** On the telebone

**Q: What do you get when you cross a computer and a lifeguard?**

**A:** A screensaver

**Q: Why did the computer wear glasses?**

**A:** Because it had to improve its web-SIGHT!



## Zoom!

Students at Abbeyfield have been keeping in touch via Zoom. Looks like a fun way to discuss their home learning!



## Maths

### Mobile Numbers Maths Puzzle

Given most of us are using our mobile phones even more, here is a maths challenge about phone numbers.

- Given that mobile numbers are made up of 11 digits – how many different numbers are possible?
- Is this enough for everyone in the world to have a unique number?
- Will we ever run out?
- Now, say the first two digits have to be 07. Now how many unique phone numbers are possible?
- How many phone numbers would be possible if you could not have any digit twice?



## International Day of Families

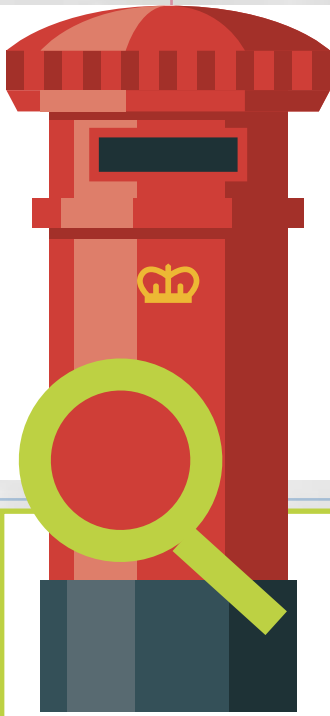
Friday, 15 May - International Day of Families

It has been held on the 15 May since 1993 and reflects how important the family is to the international community.

Find out more here: [www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-of-families](http://www.un.org/en/observances/international-day-of-families)

On this day why not try making your own quiz about your family using [kahoot.com](http://kahoot.com) and then see who is the fastest to answer the questions correctly.

Or make a family Bingo game and see who is the quickest to get a full house!  
[familyreunionhelper.com/blog/tag/family-reunion-bingo](http://familyreunionhelper.com/blog/tag/family-reunion-bingo)



## The Royal Mail

Perhaps one of the oldest postal systems still in existence, the Royal Mail was originally established in 1516. In that year, King Henry VIII established the "Master of the Posts" (later renamed to Postmaster General) and James I officially established the Royal Mail to ensure letters were delivered between London and Edinburgh to help maintain his control over both England and Scotland. His son, Charles I, then made the post service available to the general public in 1635. Now, the Royal Mail Group operates six days a week and delivers to 29 million addresses in the UK.

## Royal Letters

The reigning monarch's initials can be found on post boxes in much of the United Kingdom. Newer boxes have the initials ER11 for Queen Elizabeth 11 (R is Regina, Latin for Queen).

Older boxes are inscribed with GVIR for George V1 (R is Regent, Latin for King) who was the present Queen's father and King from 1936–1952. There are post boxes going as far back as to have VR on them for Queen Victoria who was Queen from 1837–1901!

## Finding Gold

After the 2012 Summer Olympic Games in London, over 100 post boxes were painted gold in honour of the United Kingdom's gold medal winners in both the Olympics and the Paralympics.

## Meow Mail?

In the 19th Century, postal carriers used cloth sacks to deliver mail.

For some reason, mice quite fancied the cloth sacks and would chew holes in them. To combat this problem, in 1868 the Royal Mail hired three cats to fix their mouse problem and paid each cat a shilling per week.

The last cat to work at headquarters, Blackie, died in 1984 and the Royal Mail have since switched to plastic bags that don't have the same mouse-attracting problem.

## Did you know?

## Will You Accept the Charge?

When Charles made the postal service publicly available, the costs for mailing a letter were a bit different. Instead of the sender paying for the postage, the receiver of the letter paid to get it.

## In for a Penny

The policy of having the receiver pay for the letter ended in 1840 when Sir Rowland Hill introduced the Penny Black stamp. The first person to send a letter with a stamp on it was Thomas Moore Musgrave, the Postmaster of Bath.



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## Do you work?

**Are you in Year 11 or below and working - please read this:**

It's the law that anyone in Year 11 or below who is paid to work needs to have a child employment permit – this is to protect you and ensure your working conditions are ok. We know young people work in a number of areas, from newspaper rounds to stable work and retail.

To have a permit the employer and parents/carers need to fill in a number of documents from our website which set out how they are going to ensure your safety as you carry out your job.

The papers they will need to fill in are:

- A child employment permit application if there is no permit already in place
- A code of conduct agreement – signed by employer, you and your parents
- A risk assessment document - signed by the employer
- A medical declaration - signed by your parents

Because of COVID 19 we've suspended all permits and any employer – even if you've worked at a place for some time – will need to reapply for one and be very clear on how they will ensure your safety – your parents will need to send their permissions too and you will need to sign the code of conduct agreement.

All the documents to sign and detail is available here on our website. Once we have this information we will process this as quickly as possible. If you have any concerns on any aspects of this please ask your parent or carer to email

**PNLO@wiltshire.gov.uk**



## Riddles

1. Where can you find cities, towns, shops and streets but no people?
2. What can you hear but not see or touch, even though you control it?
3. I have keys but do not lock. I have space but have no room. You can enter but not come in what am I?

3. A computer keyboard

2. Your voice

1. A map

## Riddle answers

## Next week...

Next week we would like to hear about **What's making you happy?** Please let us know what you get up to by emailing: [events@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:events@wiltshire.gov.uk)

## Notice!

Due to your many wonderful contributions, we will soon be sharing some content sent from you via our social media as well.

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