



Millthorpe Library News **Weekly News to your Library!**

King Charles Coronation



As most of you will already of known, King Charles III's coronation was on May 6th (Saturday). It is a religious event due to in the past, most the country being Christian, and now, is the only event like it in the world.
(Find out on the next page)

Local elections take place

You have probably heard over the last week that the local elections have taken place. What are local elections, why are they important and what were the results?
(Find out on page 3.)

In this issue:

- News pages
- Library News Quizzes
- Science & Environment
- Around The World
- Debate & Discussion
- Book of The Week
- Media Review
- Music Review
- Latest Tech News
- Multi Sports News
- Puzzles
- Website Links & Credits

Issue No.30 11/05/23

By Oliver Lynch, Jared Van Scalkwyk, Will Bruce, Tom Brook,
Freddie Newton & George Moir.



King Charles Coronation

As mentioned on the cover, the coronation happened on Saturday the 6th May and it is currently the only thing like it in the world due to the religious background of it. Before we mention anything else about it, we respect that everyone has their own personal opinions on the royal family, some like them and some don't due to controversies surrounding them, we will try and keep this completely unbiased to respect your opinions. The King was crowned at 11am and given all the symbols of power: The orb and the sceptre. The crown he wore was the centuries old St Edward's Crown and Queen Camila chose to wear Queen Mary's crown which "is composed of a silver frame, lined with gold, and set with 2,200 diamonds," according to the Royal Collection. Finally, the music played at the coronation was mainly classical due to his passion for that type of music and some composers and musicians included Andrew Lloyd Webber, Debbie Wiseman and Patrick Doyle.





Local elections take place

Local elections took place last week. But what are local elections, why are they important and what were the results? Read on to find out. Local elections happen every 4 years and can be used as an indicator of what party people around the UK want to be in Government and also what party they want their local council to be run by. It is important to clarify that local elections are different to National elections and affect how local councils are run independently. Any British citizens over the age of 18 are eligible to vote. Each council (over 300 in the UK) is split up into 'wards' which are smaller areas within the council that the people live in vote for. The people in these particular areas, wards, vote for which party they want the council to be run by. Each ward is controlled by a councillor who is a 'seat' in the council. The party with the most votes in that ward gains a seat (some larger wards may consist of more than one seat). Then, they add up all the seats from all the wards and the party with the most out of all the wards run the council in the area. If there is no majority, they will form a coalition where 2 or more parties work together in power. An example of this is when in York Green Party and the Liberal Democrats joined forces to run the council. There are about 4,360 seats in the UK up for grabs. So, what were the results? The Conservatives had a historic loss of 1,061 seats with Labour gaining 536 seats or 22 councils (one being York). The Liberal Democrats gained 450 seats and Green Party with around 250.

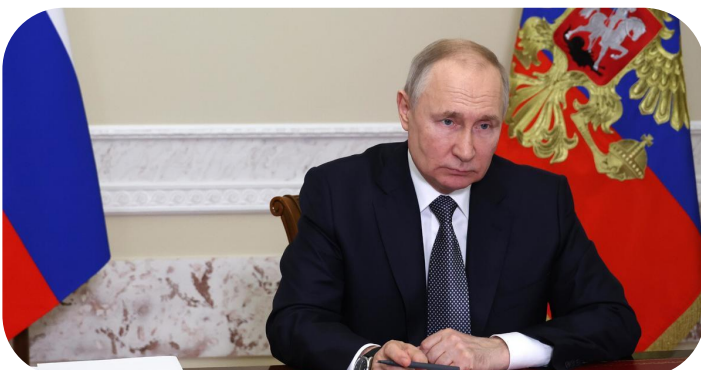




Putin accuses Ukraine of an attempt of assassination



Russian President Putin has accused Ukraine of trying to kill him with drones. Ukrainian President Zelensky denied this saying "We don't attack Putin or Moscow. We fight on our territory. We are defending our villages and cities." Ukraine also said that the explosion was staged for the use of propaganda purposes within Russia to paint a bad picture about Ukraine. The drone collision happened on the 3rd May in Moscow's Red square outside the Kremlin which means 'fortress inside a city' in Russian. The Kremlin's response was that it was a "planned terrorist attack and an assassination attempt on the President." The Institute for The Study of War said that it was... "extremely unlikely that two drones could have penetrated multiple layers of air defence and detonated or been shot down just over the heart of the Kremlin in a way that provided spectacular imagery caught nicely on camera". There is no information to prove the incident 100% right or wrong. Putin has been accused of dropping phosphorus bombs in the Ukrainian city of Bakhmut (a city with lots of fighting taking place). The chemical is notorious for the injury and harm it causes to people. On the 9th May, Russia did a military parade in the Red Square where Putin gave a speech saying 'Russia's future depends on the war in Ukraine.'



QUIZ



Introducing: Library News Quizzes



As it is our 30th Issue, Millthorpe Library News (MLN) is delighted to introduce to you a new, 12-question quiz, based on our weekly newspaper that is released every thursday by the entrance of the Library (You will see posters around too). It starts on the 11th May and we will put copies of the quiz by the entrance of the Library (there will also be an online version of the quiz you can access after school by using the QR code at the bottom). All you have to do is write your name where it tells you to, read this newspaper (issue 30) and answer questions on one a quiz slip! (The online version is below which has the same questions as the slip). When you have finished you can hand it in to the librarians at the desk and they will be collected. The quiz deadline will be on the 25th May and the person with the highest score will receive a prize of their choice out of 3 options (Starbursts, Galaxy smooth milk or a malteser bar) . We are doing this to see if you will be interested in reading MLN in the future and to help you become more informed of global events.

Scan this
for the
online
version



Scan this
for the
online
version



New Alzheimer's drug is 35% effective

A new drug has been found to slow Alzheimer's by around 35%. Alzheimer's is a cruel disease that affects cognitive function and memory. It is most commonly found in people over the age of 65 and is also the leading cause of dementia. A medical drug company, 'Lily', has created 2 new drugs over the last 12 months; one called 'Lecanemab' - which slows the disease by 27% and the newest one called 'Donanemab' which as previously said, slows the illness by 35%. Alzheimer's is a gradual process, meaning it worsens as time goes on with symptoms such as memory problems, thinking and reasoning difficulties, speaking and language difficulties, changes in mood and how you hear/see things.

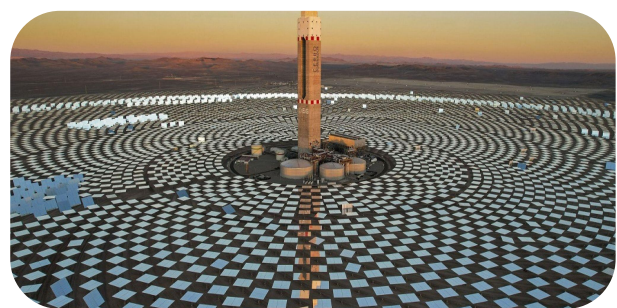
Donanemab slowed the rate of decline in performing daily activities by 40% with a 39% less risk of developing further stages in the disease. A placebo is when a doctor gives you a tablet that is free of drugs that looks like medicine and tricks the brain into thinking the disease is being cured. This has positive psychological effects and even physical effects. In an Alzheimer's placebo trial, 29% of people experienced no progression of the illness after a year compared to 47% when using Donanemab. The number of people living with dementia is set to triple by 2050 to a whopping 153 million meaning upcoming drugs will be very important. The associate director of research at Alzheimer's Society UK said that this could be 'the beginning of the end'.



Could Morocco be Europe's saviour?

Morocco, a Country in North Africa with a thin line of sea in between itself and Spain, has ambitious plans to export renewable energy to Europe. The Country hopes to power 52% of Europe's energy needs by 2030. The energy will most likely be transported via long-range cables under the sea. Britain is currently building a cable to Morocco with hopes that 8% of our energy will be produced by the Country by 2030. Morocco receives a lot of sunlight and wind, making the plans much more realistic and could help Morocco's economy grow massively. In 2021, 80.5% of Morocco's energy was being supplied by fossil fuels, with 12.4% wind and 4.4% solar. Despite this, Morocco is making astonishing progress in the turn towards renewable options.

Mass energy projects such as the Noor-Ouarzazate Solar Complex (see picture below) continue to produce immense amounts of energy, being the most concentrated solar power plant in the World. It uses mirrors that concentrate sunbeams and sunlight onto central tower 'receivers' which contain fluid that is heated up by the sunlight, creating steam that turns a turbine that finally generates energy. Companies like Gaia energy, based in 15 different Countries in Africa, are making the switch to renewable energy sources such as solar, wind and tidal. The upcoming renewable energy projects could offer 28,000 jobs a year in a Country with an unemployment rate of 11.2%.

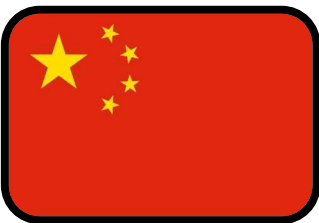




Around The World



In South Africa, a heated debate has taken place after the government has shown reluctance to arrest Russia's President, Putin on his upcoming visit to South Africa in August. A few weeks ago, the International Criminal Court (ICC) issued an arrest warrant on Putin after his war crimes in Ukraine, meaning he could legally be arrested anywhere that was signed up to the ICC, which South Africa is.



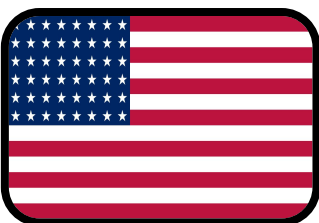
In China, soybeans have become the first genetically edited crop to have been safety approved. China is looking increasingly towards science to boost food production and deal with heavy demand. The Government wants soybean production to increase by up to 40% within the next 4 years.



A few weeks ago, Spain had an unprecedented heat wave of up to 39 degrees celsius in some areas. Still in many places such as Catalonia, farmers and people are enduring droughts with no clouds in sight. Restrictions have been placed on water use and in one town, it has not rained in a year. Scientists believe it was caused by climate change, stating heat waves are now '100 more times likely' in mediterranean regions.



The World Health Organisation (WHO) has declared a global end to the Coronavirus Emergency. The Director General of the WHO also said individual countries should now manage the virus along with other diseases. It has been over 3 years since coronavirus was declared a global pandemic.



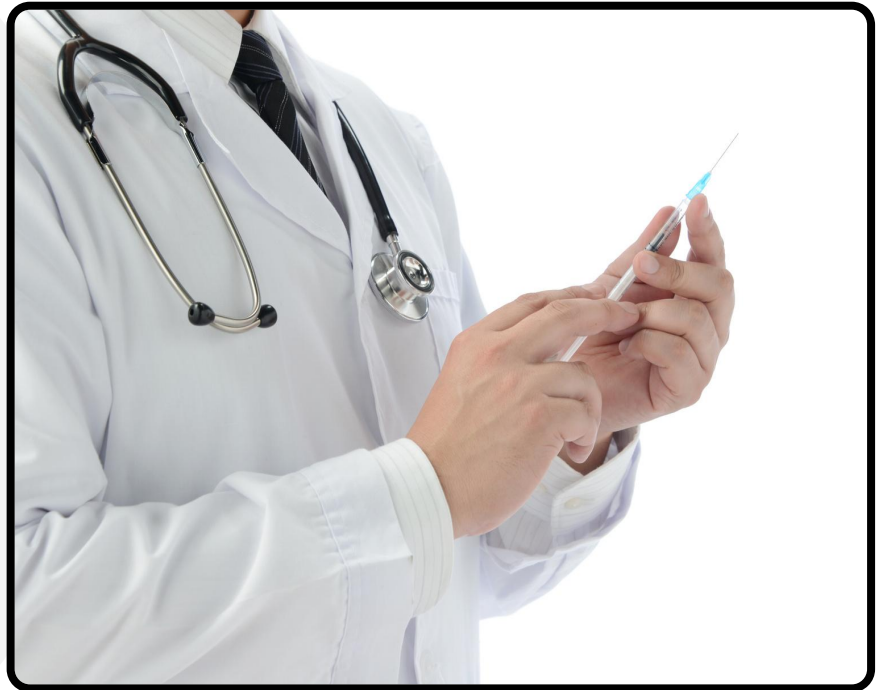
Last year, in Florida, the republican state Governor (DeSantis) passed a law that banned any school discussion on sexual orientation or gender identity. Disney criticised this law and a year later, today, the arguments have resparked as Desantis signed a deal allowing Florida to cancel any Disney deals (Disney is the largest employer in Central Florida).

THIS WEEK'S TOPIC FOR DEBATE AND DISCUSSION IS:

Should Assisted suicide be legal?

FACTS:

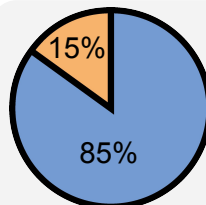
- **Assisted suicide** is the act of euthanising someone, whether it be voluntary (when a person makes the decision to die), or non-voluntary (when they are unable to consent, for instance if they were in a coma).
- **Legal** in ten countries and five states of the US, it is however illegal in the UK and punishable by murder or manslaughter. It is important to note that assisted suicide is different from withdrawing ineffective life-sustaining treatment.
- **Performed** predominantly with medication or by lethal injection, assisted suicide is painless and allows for an 'easy way out' for those who are in much pain.



FOR

Cruel • Successful • currently ineffective

People travel to places where this is legal, so this often leads to people ending their lives sooner than they would have wished because they need to be well enough to travel. It has shown to be successful in jurisdictions where it is lawful, and there are eligibility criteria, safeguards and regulation in place to protect patients. Some dying people will still experience severe, unbearable physical or emotional distress that cannot be relieved. Forcing dying people to suffer against their wishes is incompatible with the values of 21st century medicine.



Last week's results on:
We should implement the death penalty.
Thanks for voting!

AGAINST

Catastrophic consequences • unnecessary • unreliable patients

Due to the nature of assisted suicide, it would alter society's attitude towards the elderly, seriously ill and disabled, and send the subliminal message that assisted dying is an option they 'ought' to consider, causing catastrophic consequences. We should be calling for universal access to high quality specialist care, rather than legalising physician-assisted suicide, rendering it unnecessary. Finally, the factors behind a request for assisted dying are predominantly personal or social rather than clinical, which makes us question the reliability of patients.

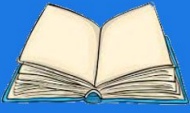
FEATURED OPINION: By Freddie Newton, MLN writer

NEXT WEEK'S TOPIC WILL BE: Should ABORTION be legal

"I think that although you could make an argument that euthanasia is a right and should be allowed if consented, I believe it is the wrong way to deal with someone's suffering which who knows, one day could come to an end. I think it is an unnatural way to end someone's life especially if they have family. Life on Earth is so unique and rare, we only have one chance at it and shouldn't just throw it away by default when we get old even if we have given up on all hope."

HOW DO I VOTE?

View the instructions on the voting page that is next to the issue stand.



Book of the Week



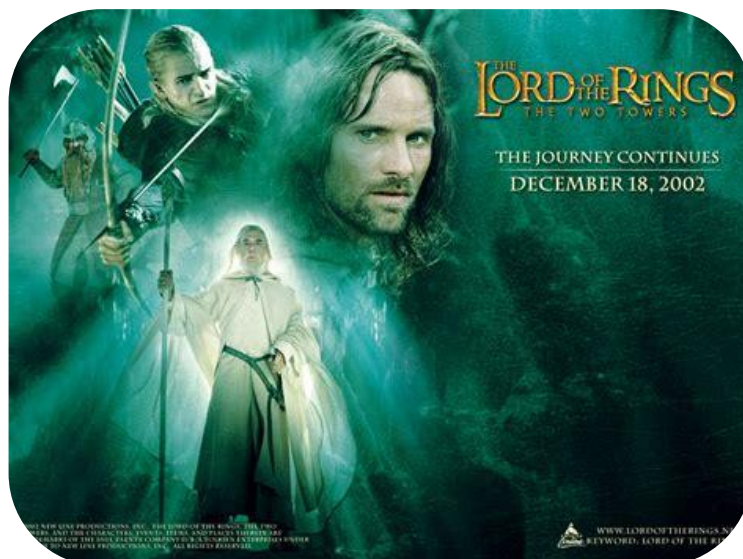
Lord of The Rings

Story

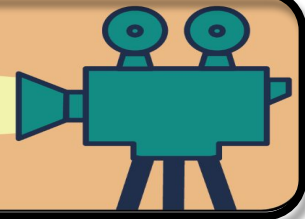
The Lord of the Rings is a famous book trilogy written by J.R.R Tolkien that you have probably heard of but might not have read. The story is about a ring that gives you power that can only be destroyed in the place it was forged-Mount Doom of Mordor. The first books is called the Fellowship of The Ring where they appoint a group of people to save Middle Earth. What was once an impossible task slowly becomes a glimmer of hope. If you enjoyed the Lord of The Rings you can also read the Hobbit which is the stories prequel or watch the movies which are also really well produced, with a full screen time of 9 and a half hours. The Lord of The Rings is an emotional rollercoaster and is a very unique story with lots of real life morals in connection to it.

Age Rating: 8+

Because of no graphic effects in the books, anyone at millthorpe could read this, it is quite an adult book nonetheless in terms of writing.



Media Review



2023 Eurovision song contest

This year Eurovision is taking place in Britain, specifically in Liverpool. Eurovision is usually hosted by the country that won the previous year, however the winner of 2022's Eurovision was Ukraine (who won with 631 points, 439 from televoters). However, unfortunately, Ukraine cannot host the latest contest due to the war with Russia. This means that the runner up gets to host Eurovision, Britain who received 466 points. This is Britain's first time hosting Eurovision since 1998. This year Britain is trying something new, so for the first time ever, the Eurovision final is taking place in cinemas. Local to York it will be viewing in Everyman, Vue and City Screen as well as many others. **Disclaimer Eurovision song contest 2023 is a 12A and therefore not viewable by all students without parental consent**

Age Rating:



"Pretty cool, I guess" -
George Moir





Music Review



Top of the charts

1. Miracle

Calvin Harris/ Ellie Goulding

2. Daylight

David Kushner

3. People

Libianca

4. Wish you the best

Lewis Capaldi

5. Calm down

Rema

6. Eyes closed

Ed Sheeran

7. React

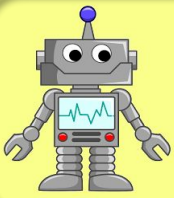
Switch disco/ Ella Henderson

Review of: Évidemment - *La Zarra*

Évidemment is the French 2023 Eurovision song created by *La Zarra* that translates to obviously in English. Évidemment currently has 4.1million views on Eurovision song contest's official channel. This song starts with an intro and then heads straight into a verse with strings blazing. As the song progresses into chorus, the instruments get more modern: bass guitar, drumkit, and backing vocals. I am sure we will all be hoping for the british singer to win, but we can all appreciate good music.

Guess the song:

14



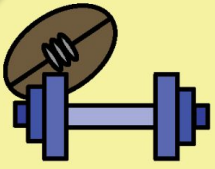
Latest Tech News!



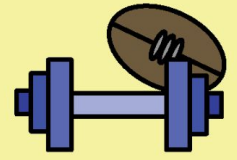
Could Whatsapp disappear from British lives?

One of the UK's most popular app for texting and chatting to people, Whatsapp, could be at risk of being banned. It comes after the online safety bill (a bill is a proposal for a new law to come into force) which has been recently released by parliament and is 250 pages long, made complaints about Whatsapp's "end to end encryption" (E2EE). First of all, what is E2EE? End to end encryption is where users text messages are protected and private so only the receiver and sender can see them. However, the new bill aims to cover pretty much all aspects of online dangers to children especially and stop them from happening. Communication companies like Ofcom want to tackle abuse and harassment by scanning private messages breaking the E2EE rule, ultimately breaking the security promise to all users. Whatsapp have said this is a step too far that will not go ahead in their app. This could mean that if the law was passed, then Whatsapp might be removed from the UK to protect people's privacy. 98% of the app's users are outside of the UK and Whatsapp have stated that the rules will not go ahead in other Countries if the laws are passed.





Sport News



Multi-News

Spikeball

Spikeball is a sport using 1 inflated ball and a small round trampoline. To play, stand around the trampoline with no boundaries, use your hands to hit the ball onto the trampoline then which your opposing team will hit the ball back, you can use all 360° around the trampoline. Find out more at: <https://spikeball.eu/en-gb/pages/how-to-play-1>

Sports vest GPS

Makes like STATSports and Pitchero GPS are creating the perfect new technology for athletes and sports players, tracking data like sprint speed, distance, intensity and strain levels and much more, using a small device that clips on to the vest that comes with the package. Companies like these are already getting sponsored by big clubs in a variety of sports!



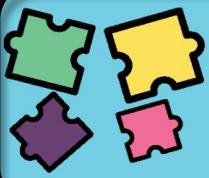
Vevo camera

Vevo camera is the ideal kit for recording lower league or grass roots football, their advanced technology can identify what is happening in a game, so can split each moment of the match up into chapters, so you able to know where the goals, corners, goal kicks (and more) are in the game without having to watch the whole thing through, the camera also tracks the ball so you don't miss a moment!

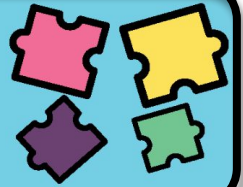
Transfer latest (Football)

- West Ham have lately put a £120 million price tag on Declan Rice! Many big clubs are interested.
- Jude Bellingham set to reject a new contract offer from Borussia Dortmund, making the Real Madrid move look more likely.
- Man Utd plan to bid a big money fee for 21 year old Benfica striker Goncalo Ramos.





Puzzles



Riddles

Easy - Which word is least like the others? Third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth?

Medium - What kind of room has no doors or windows?

Hard - What word in the English language has three consecutive double letters?

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

*(This sudoku will be cut out next to the issue stand for you to complete)!

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Eagle} \times \text{Gorilla} - \text{Eagle} = 360 \\
 \text{Bear} - \text{Eagle} \times \text{Bear} = -184 \\
 \text{Gorilla} + \text{Gorilla} \times \text{Bear} = 350 \\
 \text{Bear} \times \text{Eagle} \times \text{Gorilla} = ?
 \end{array}$$

Last Issues Answers

Easy - Lunch and Dinner, **Medium** - Teapot, **Hard** - The Match and Music - N/A

Visit Our Website

Hello! As you may have known, Millthorpe News actually has its own website!

Here, you can read the newspaper digitally, view older newspapers and even take quizzes!

Note: You must be signed in your school account to access it.

All this is available at:

sites.google.com/millthorpe.southbank.academy/millthorpenews

Or for after school use only:

Scan the QR code:



See you there!

Credits

Editorial Team

Y9 - Oliver Lynch

Head Editor, Puzzles, Tech News Writer, Book of The Week Writer, Site Editor and Graphic Designer.

Y9 - Jared Van Schalkwyk

Editor, Head of Graphic Design & Debate of The Week Writer.

Marketers, Writers and Graphic Designers

Y9 - Freddie Newton

Head of Writing, Journalist, Quality Checks & Researcher.

Y9 - Will Bruce

Sports Writer & Marketer.

Y9 - George Moir

Music and Media Review Writer.

Y9 - Tom Brook

Head of Marketing.

You can be here!

Ask a member of our team to join!