

Celebrating the NHS

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People in the NHS

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Children have put rainbow pictures up in their windows.

Some people have even raised money for the NHS.

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- National Help Service
- National Help and Support

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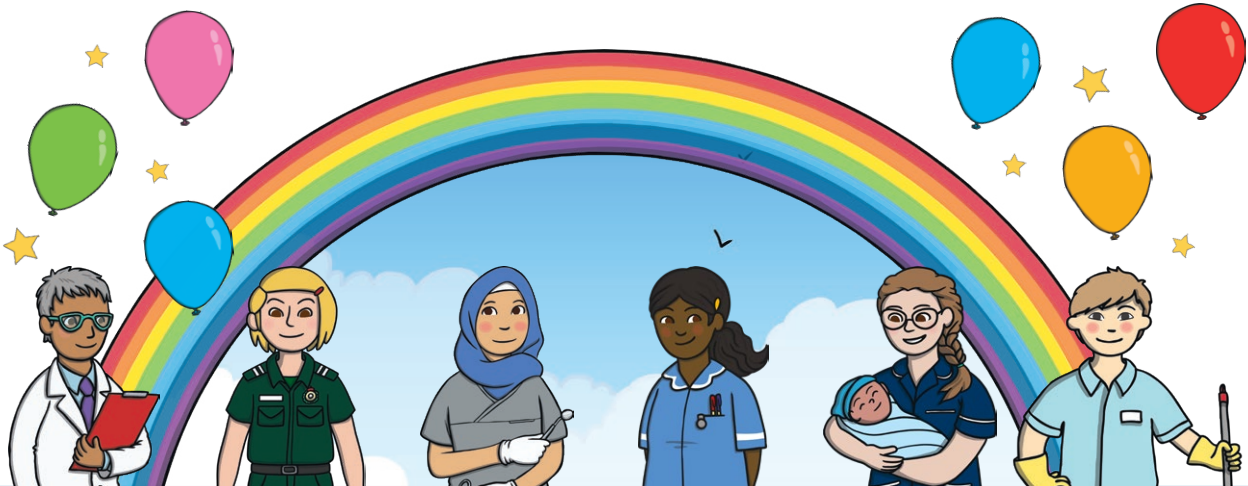
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NHS stands for **N**ational **H**ealth **S**ervice and it was started in July 1948. The NHS helps people when they are hurt or feeling unwell.

Who Works for the NHS?

There are lots of different people who work for the NHS. There are lots of different jobs in the NHS too. Every person in the NHS is important and we need them all to help people who are in need.



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Why Do People Celebrate the NHS?

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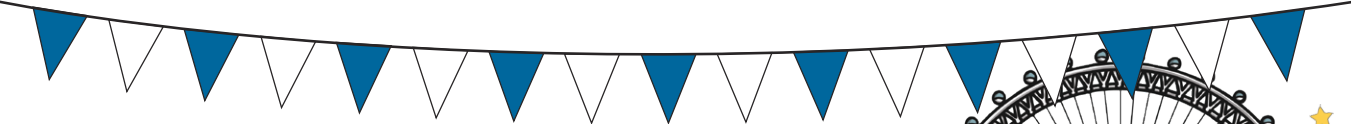
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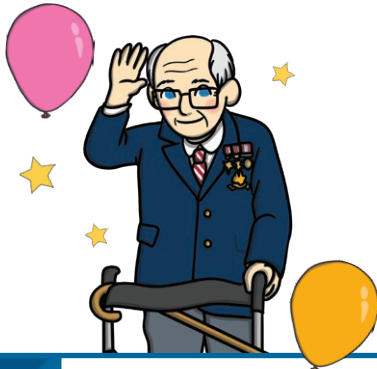
Lots of people stand outside their homes to clap every Thursday.

Some people have even used pots and pans to make lots of noise.

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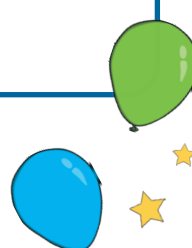


Blue lights have been seen on a few famous buildings at night. The NHS logo is blue and white.



Others have raised money for the NHS. Sir Captain Tom Moore walked around his garden 100 times to raise millions of pounds.

Lots of people have become NHS helpers. They are helping to take food and medicine to people at home.



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- mends cars and bikes
- teaches people to read
- helps people who are hurt or unwell

2. Draw **three** lines and complete the sentences.

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started...

because they want
to say thank you.

There are lots of
different people...

in July 1948.

People celebrate
the NHS...

who work for
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- yellow

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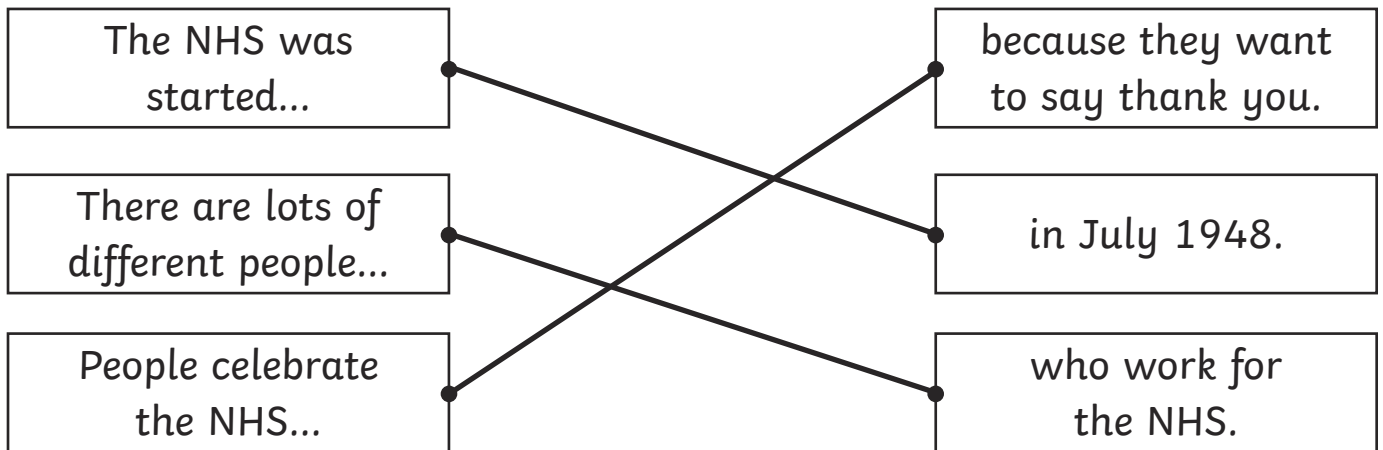
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It costs a lot of money to keep everyone healthy and safe so only rich people could get medical help until the NHS began. NHS stands for **N**ational **H**ealth **S**ervice and it was started on 5th July 1948 by Aneurin Bevan. He wanted medical care to be free for everyone. The NHS helps people in the UK to stay healthy and well.

Who Works for the NHS?

There are lots of people who work for the NHS and there are many different jobs. Everyone who works for the NHS is very important because they all help to keep us safe and well.



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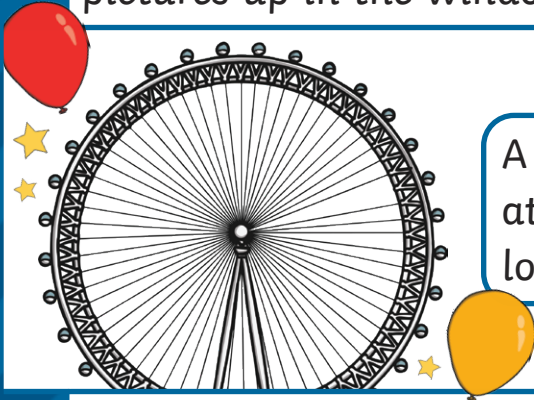
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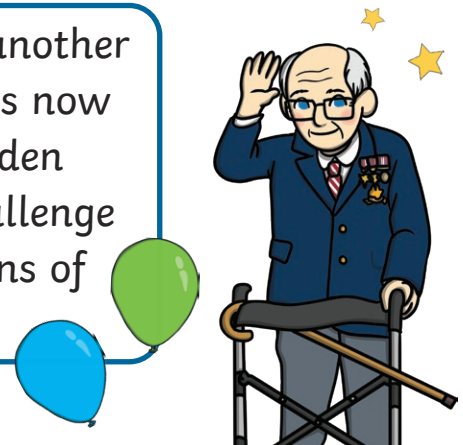
Other people have put up signs and posters to show their support. Children might have put rainbow pictures up in the windows of their homes.



A few famous buildings have been lit up at night with blue lights because the NHS logo is blue and white.



Raising money to help the NHS has been another way to celebrate. Sir Captain Tom Moore is now famous because he walked around his garden 100 times. He wanted to complete the challenge before his 100th birthday. He raised millions of pounds for the NHS.



Lots of people have become NHS volunteers. They are helping by delivering food and medicine to people at home.



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He wanted medical care to be _____ for everyone.

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- helps people in the UK to buy new homes
- helps people in the UK to stay healthy and well
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Pupils' own responses, such as: The NHS was started in 1948. It is important to celebrate the NHS because they help to look after us.

6. How else could we celebrate the NHS?

Pupils' own responses, such as: We could celebrate the NHS by giving them an award or medal.