

SATURDAY 01 JULY 2023

SAT 19:00 Caribbean with Simon Reeve (p02152fy)
Episode 2

The second leg of Simon Reeve's journey around the Caribbean Sea sees him start at beautiful islands and travel along the coast of South America. On the beautiful and wealthy island of Barbados, he meets the owner of a traditional chattel house who has turned down offers of millions of dollars from luxury property developers and dives the reef on a hunt for invading lionfish which are disrupting the delicate ecosystem.

On the green volcanic slopes of St Vincent, Simon meets the marijuana growers hoping, like their prime minister, that the drug will soon be decriminalised. Venezuela is one of the most turbulent countries in the Caribbean and from a high-rise slum in Caracas to the lawless border lands, Simon tries to work out how a country so rich in oil has fallen so low.

Ending his epic journey in Colombia, Simon gains rare access to the Kogi - an indigenous people who have maintained their traditional forest lifestyle in the face of an encroaching and damaging modern world.

SAT 20:00 Voyages of Discovery (b0074t5l)
The Figure of the Earth

Explorer Paul Rose tells the story of three Frenchmen who couldnt stand each other, yet set off on an eight-year scientific mission in one of the most hostile places on the planet. Their plan, to settle an international row by measuring the shape of the planet, took them to the disease-ridden rainforests and oxygen-starved peaks of the Ecuadorian Andes.

Rose follows in the footsteps of the 18th-century explorers who were complete innocents abroad and had no idea of the horrors they were letting themselves in for. Despite disease, death and some highly disastrous sexual liaisons, the men made discoveries that fundamentally changed all our lives.

SAT 21:00 Beck (p0fqt2x)
The Death Trap

Martin's grandson Wilhelm Beck is out on a routine mission with his supervisor when he finds a dead 17-year-old boy at the crime scene. It immediately becomes a case for Alex, Martin and the others in the Beck group.

SAT 22:30 Blankety Blank Classic (m001nhx5)
Series 13

Episode 19

Les Dawson hosts another edition of the celebrity panel game, with special guests Gavin Campbell, Julian Clary, Polly James, Danny La Rue, Rose-Marie and Jane Marie Osborne.

SAT 23:00 Parkinson: The Interviews (b007448x)
Series 1

Kenneth Williams

In this compilation of clips from five of his eight appearances on Parkinson, Kenneth Williams gives vent to his dislike of theatre critics as well as Michael Parkinson, and gives his rendition of My Crepes Suzette.

Contributors: John Betjeman, Patrick Campbell, Tom Lehrer, Annie Lewis, Tony Moss, Frank Muir, Robin Ray and Maggie Smith.

SAT 23:40 Comic Roots (p02rtqvm)
Series 2

Kenneth Williams

Kenneth Williams explores his roots in and around London's St Pancras, where he grew up.

Architecture, poetry, art and music were the formative influences on Kenneth Williams: the slum architecture of St Pancras where he grew up, the liquid poetry of his Gran's fruitly anecdotes, the art of the Marcel wave practised by his hairdresser father and the musical knees-up at The Boot pub.

SAT 00:10 Hancock's Half Hour (p032khyk)
The Alpine Holiday

Hancock decides to take a holiday and after an eventful flight has to share his hotel room with a yodeller and Alpine Horn player.

SAT 00:40 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b0077k1l)

Series 1

Storm in a Tea Chest

Terry helps Bob move his most treasured possessions from his old house to the new one, but Thelma refuses to have his junk in their home.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

SAT 02:10 Voyages of Discovery (b0074t5l)
[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

SUNDAY 02 JULY 2023

SUN 19:00 Rick Stein's Long Weekends (b07bpc4c)
Vienna

This week, Rick Stein visits Vienna - the city that once ran the Austro-Hungarian Empire and continues to be home to comfort dishes like tafelspitz and goulash and which gave its name to one of Europe's most popular dishes - the wiener schnitzel. It even produces its own unique white wine produced in vineyards overlooking the city's imperial architecture.

Whilst enjoying the sights and sounds of the hometown to Klimt and Freud and the rather eccentric architecture of Hundertwasser, Rick also learns the essential etiquette to its coffee house culture and indulges in the city's sweet tooth by enjoying a plate or two of apple strudel and sacher torte. And no visit to Vienna would be complete without a concert of Mozart or Strauss, whose music was undeniably inspired by this unforgettable city.

SUN 20:00 Summer Night Concert from Vienna (m001nhyd)
2023

The Vienna Philharmonic's annual Summer Night Concert from the spectacular Schönbrunn Palace Gardens.

SUN 21:30 Vienna: Empire, Dynasty and Dream (p046dxfw)
Episode 1

Vienna was the capital of the Habsburg dynasty and home to the Holy Roman Emperors. From here, they dominated middle Europe for nearly 1,000 years. In this series, historian Simon Sebag Montefiore describes how the Habsburgs transformed Vienna into a multinational city of music, culture and ideas. Napoleon, Hitler, Mozart, Strauss, Freud, Stalin and Klimt all played their part.

In this first episode, we follow the Habsburgs' rise to power and discover how Vienna marked Europe's front line in the struggle to defend both Christendom from the Ottomans and the Catholic Church from the Protestant revolutionaries that plotted to destroy it.

SUN 22:30 Britain's Ancient Capital: Secrets of Orkney (b087vh70)
Episode 1

Orkney - seven miles off the coast of Scotland and cut off by the tumultuous Pentland Firth, the fastest flowing tidal race in Europe, is often viewed as being remote. But recent discoveries there are turning the stone age map of Britain upside down. Rather than an outpost at the edge of the world, recent finds suggest an extraordinary theory - that Orkney was the cultural capital of our ancient world and the origin of the stone circle cult which culminated in Stonehenge.

In this three-part series, Neil Oliver, Chris Packham, Andy Torbet and Dr Shini Somara join hundreds of archaeologists from around the world who have gathered there to investigate at one of Europe's biggest digs.

Chris Packham uncovers the secrets revealed by the DNA of Orkney's unique vole. Neil Oliver explores Orkney's tombs and monuments. Dr Shini Somara experiments to discover how the Orcadians could have moved giant blocks of stone over rough ground and archaeological adventurer Andy Torbet climbs Orkney's most challenging sea-stack to unlock the story of Orkney's unusual geology.

SUN 23:30 Magic Numbers: Hannah Fry's Mysterious World of Maths (b0bn6wtp)
Series 1

Numbers as God

In this new series, mathematician Dr Hannah Fry explores the mystery of maths. It underpins so much of our modern world that it's hard to imagine life without its technological advances, but where exactly does maths come from? Is it invented like a language or is it something discovered and part of the fabric of the universe? It's a question that some of the most eminent mathematical minds have been wrestling with. Dr Eleanor Knox from King's College London believes it's discovered. Prof Hiranya Peiris from University College London believes it's invented, while Prof Jim Gates from Brown University believes it's both, and Prof Brian Greene from Columbia University has no idea. The jury is very much divided.

To investigate this question, Hannah goes head first down the fastest zip wire in the world to learn more about Newton's law of gravity, she paraglides to understand where the theory of maths and its practice application collide, and she travels to infinity and beyond to discover that some infinities are bigger than others.

In this episode, Hannah goes back to the time of the ancient Greeks to find out why they were so fascinated by the connection between beautiful music and maths. The patterns our ancestors found in music are all around us, from the way a sunflower stores its seeds to the number of petals in a flower. Even the shapes of some of the smallest structures in nature, such as viruses, seem to follow the rules of maths. All strong evidence for maths being discovered.

But there are those who claim maths is all in our heads and something we invented. To find out if this is true, Hannah has her brain scanned. It turns out there is a place in all our brains where we do maths, but that doesn't prove its invented. Experiments with infants, who have never had a maths lesson in their lives, suggests we all come hardwired to do maths. Far from being a creation of the human mind, this is evidence for maths being something we discover.

Then along comes the invention of zero to help make counting more convenient and the creation of imaginary numbers, and the balance is tilted in the direction of maths being something we invented. The question of whether maths is invented or discovered just got a whole lot more difficult to answer.

SUN 00:30 Summer Night Concert from Vienna (m001nhyd)
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SUN 02:00 Rick Stein's Long Weekends (b07bpc4c)
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MONDAY 03 JULY 2023

MON 19:00 The Wonder of Bees with Martha Kearney (p0116pjf)
Episode 4

Martha enjoys the English countryside at its best, offers her honey to the public at a village fair and finally succeeds in harvesting the true wildflower honey she set out to achieve.

At the height of summer the owners of the meadow have invited the public to an open day to celebrate this unique bit of countryside. The pressure is on Martha to get the honey ready in time. With such a late spring the meadow flowers are late opening and the bees are still foraging on a neighbouring farmer's crops when the day arrives.

Martha visits Cornwall's Tregothnan Estate to discover the secret of the highly-prized manuka honey and returns to Suffolk with plans for a final harvest of wildflower honey. By now the meadow is in its prime. When Martha sends her honey to be tested it is proved to be true wildflower honey. It only remains to prepare the bees for the winter and reflect on a rewarding and fascinating season of beekeeping.

MON 19:30 Fred Dibnah's Made in Britain (b030qgzv)
A Lifetime's Achievement (Part 1)

Fred Dibnah reaches the final stage of his monumental journey around Britain on his traction engine.

This episode begins in the mountains of Snowdonia, where Fred is on his way to Wales's National Slate Museum. However, to get there he must first get over the Llanberis Pass - a big test for the engine. At the slate museum, Fred and Alf take a look in the workshop, where all the machinery is driven by a line shaft an eighth of a mile long. In the pub, they meet up with a couple of the ex-quarry workers and have a chat over a pint.

On their way back home to Bolton, the duo stop in to have a look at the world's first boat lift in Cheshire. The Anderton boat

lift was built in 1875 as an alternative to a series of locks. Whilst here, Fred takes a trip on the lift to learn a bit more about its history. Before arriving home, Fred visits a couple of local works that over the years have supplied him with his pressure gauges and lots of nuts and bolts.

After a bit of tinkering at home, Fred and Alf begin their journey to Buckingham Palace, where Fred is due to receive his MBE. They stop off in Loughborough at the Great Central Railway for a ride on a 1912, 04 class engine, before making one final detour to the Crossness Pumping Station in London, where a group of volunteers have been working for 18 years to restore four of the largest beam engines in the world.

MON 20:00 Attenborough and the Giant Dinosaur (p03dwy5z)

David Attenborough tells the story of the discovery and reconstruction in Argentina of the world's largest-known dinosaur, a brand new species of titanosaur. Measuring 37m long - close to four London buses put end to end - and weighing 70 metric tons, it now holds the record as the biggest animal ever to walk the earth.

In 2014, a shepherd spotted the tip of a gigantic fossil bone sticking out of a rock in La Flecha Farm in the Chubut Province in the Argentinian desert. Palaeontologists soon uncovered a massive 2.4m long thigh bone (femur), the largest ever found. By the end of the dig they had uncovered more than 220 bones. As the programme reveals, these all belong to a new species of the giant plant-eating titanosaur.

Filmed over the next two years, the documentary follows the twists and turns of this forensic investigation. Attenborough witnesses the uncovering and examination of these stupendous fossils and the dramatic construction of the complete skeleton. And using state-of-the-art graphics, the film also reveals the internal secrets of this dinosaur and what it means to be a giant.

MON 21:00 Secrets of the Jurassic Dinosaurs (m001jgg5)
Series 1

Episode 2

Liz Bonnin joins an international team of palaeontologists in the remote badlands of Wyoming as they investigate a mysterious dinosaur graveyard. Packed with over a dozen skeletons, including the ferocious Allosaurus, the distant forerunner of the T-rex, the site is a treasure trove of Jurassic remains.

This time, the team tries to figure out if the Jurassic's most vicious predator was involved in the deaths of super-sized beasts, like the iconic Diplodocus, that are buried at the site, helping to reveal why so many dinosaurs came here and what killed them in such great numbers 150 million years ago.

MON 22:00 Planet Dinosaur (b015clmt)
Original Series

Last Killers

The third episode looks at the last generation of killer dinosaurs - carnivores that took killing to a new level.

By the end of the Cretaceous period - 75 million years ago - these gigantic and specialised hunter-killers had spread throughout the globe. In the southern continents, it was the powerful and muscular abelisaurids that reigned supreme, but it was the famous tyrannosaurids (or tyrant dinosaurs) that dominated in the north.

Whilst the northern daspletosaurus hunted in gangs, using its highly developed smell and hearing to take down opponents like the horned rhino-sized beast chasmosaurus, in the southern hemisphere the small-skulled majungasaurus reigned. And though the sharp-toothed majungasaurus was an efficient killer of the much smaller feathered rahnavis, that did not stop it from occasionally turning cannibal and hunting its own.

MON 22:30 Planet Dinosaur (b015pbw7)
Original Series

Fight for Life

This episode focuses on the Jurassic period, a time when the first giant killers stalked the Earth and lurked in the seas - and the slightest advantage meant the difference between life and death.

In North America, the iconic allosaurus, an ambush hunter with a lethal bite, dominated. Not even the heavily armoured stegosaurus was safe from this killer, and incredible evidence reveals a glimpse of a vicious battle between these two giants.

Life in Jurassic oceans was no easier - in 2008, a fossil was dug out of a frozen island high in the Arctic. It was a colossal

marine reptile, twice as big as most ocean predators at 15 metres long and weighing about 45 tonnes. This was Predator X. Its skull alone was nearly twice the size of a Tyrannosaurus rex's, and its bite force unmatched by anything in the Jurassic seas.

The balance of power between predator and prey is a fine one, as prey continually evolve different ways to avoid predators. But for the most successful and enduring predators, the battle to survive has always been tipped in their favour.

MON 23:00 Walking with Dinosaurs (p008cm6f)
Original series

Cruel Sea

Series which recreates the world of the dinosaurs, Oxfordshire was under water in the late Jurassic period, 149 million years ago, and the world was ruled by awesome marine reptiles such as Ophthalmosaurus and its predator Liopleurodon.

MON 23:30 Walking with Dinosaurs (p008cmk8)
Original series

Giant of the Skies

Continuing series which brings back the lost world of the dinosaurs. The skies of 127 million years ago were dominated by huge flying reptiles. This episode follows a pterosaur on an extraordinary flight to its breeding grounds.

MON 00:00 Magic Numbers: Hannah Fry's Mysterious World of Maths (b0bntkp1)
Series 1

Expanded Horizons

In this new series, mathematician Dr Hannah Fry explores the mystery of maths. It underpins so much of our modern world that it's hard to imagine life without its technological advances, but where exactly does maths come from? Is it invented like a language or is it something discovered, part of the fabric of the universe? As we increasingly come to rely on maths, this question becomes more important to answer.

In this episode, Hannah travels down the fastest zip wire in the world to learn more about Newton's ideas on gravity. His discoveries revealed the movement of the planets was regular and predictable. James Clerk Maxwell unified the ideas of electricity and magnetism, and explained what light was. As if that wasn't enough, he also predicted the existence of radio waves. His tools of the trade were nothing more than pure mathematics. All strong evidence for maths being discovered.

But in the 19th century, maths is turned on its head when new types of geometry are invented. No longer is the kind of geometry we learned in school the final say on the subject. If maths is more like a game, albeit a complicated one, where we can change the rules, surely this points to maths being something we invent - a product of the human mind. To try and answer this question, Hannah travels to Halle in Germany on the trail of perhaps one of the greatest mathematicians of the 20th century, Georg Cantor. He showed that infinity, far from being infinitely big, actually comes in different sizes, some bigger than others. This increasingly weird world is feeling more and more like something we've invented. But if that's the case, why is maths so uncannily good at predicting the world around us? Invented or discovered, this question just got a lot harder to answer.

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TUESDAY 04 JULY 2023

TUE 19:00 The NHS: A People's History (b0bb2k9h)
Series 1

Episode 2

This episode covers a period in which the NHS expands beyond all recognition as it is forced to evolve and adapt to the needs of an ever-growing, and ever more diverse population, all against a background of social strife and the increasing pressures to privatise. Amongst the highly cherished artefacts shown are the personal letters of Dr Elphis Christopher, a family-planning specialist who received death threats when she dared advocate sex education in schools, the NHS wigs given to Grand National-winning jockey Bob Champion when he underwent a then revolutionary form of chemotherapy for testicular cancer and the pram and teddy bear of Alastair Macdonald, the world's second, and the NHS's first, test-tube baby.

This era of 1973 to 1997 was a time of extreme social change and the NHS was forced to adapt accordingly. Neurosurgeon Alan Crockard reveals a small titanium plate he and his colleagues in Belfast invented at the height of the conflict in Northern Ireland to insert into head wounds, an innovation that in his words 'helped people survive the unsurvivable'. Wendy Watson, the first woman in Britain to have a pre-emptive double mastectomy, shares the handwritten letter she received from Princess Diana, thanking her for her work raising money for breast cancer screening. And mum of two Rosemary Cox shows the brooch her dying son gave her, shortly before his tragic death from a brain tumour became the catalyst for her campaign to create of the UK's Organ Donor Register.

TUE 20:00 Hancock's Half Hour (p032kj0j)

The Photographer

Hancock decides to invest in a new camera - which Sid sees as the perfect opportunity to make some money.

TUE 20:30 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b0077k5h)

Series 1

The Old Magic

Terry is disappointed that Bob has asked someone else to be his best man at the wedding, but eventually agrees to go for a meal with his friend before he gets hitched. After a few drinks at the restaurant, they start to chat up a couple of pretty girls who are also eating there.

TUE 21:00 Eric and Ernie (b00wy7ck)

Single drama telling the story of Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise's formative years, from child stars to national treasures.

'Big head, short legs' is Eric Bartholomew's first impression of Ernie Wiseman, but their friendship endures and, encouraged by his well-meaning but determined mother Sadie, Eric became the funny man to Ernie's 'feed'.

After a successful stint in children's variety, they work their way up the ladder of live performance, but after a disastrous television debut in the series Running Wild, Morecambe and Wise learn to trust their own instincts and just make people laugh.

TUE 22:30 Timeshift (b06csy8c)

Series 15

The Engine that Powers the World

The surprising story of the hidden powerhouse behind the globalised world, the diesel engine, a 19th-century invention that has become indispensable to the 21st century. It's a tortoise-versus-hare tale in which the diesel engine races the petrol engine in a competition to replace ageing steam technology, a race eventually won hands down by diesel.

Splendidly, car enthusiast presenter Mark Evans gets excitedly hands-on with some of the many applications of Mr Diesel's - yes, there was one - original creation, from vintage submarines and tractors to locomotive trains and container ships. You'll never feel the same about that humble old diesel family car again.

TUE 23:30 Timeshift (b01mytsg)

Series 12

Health before the NHS: The Road to Recovery

Robert Winston narrates the shocking story of health in Britain before the National Health Service. In the early 20th century, getting treated if you were ill was a rudimentary, risky and costly business - a luxury few could afford. Using rare archive footage and personal testimony, the programme tells how ordinary people, GPs, midwives and local councils coped with a chaotic and ramshackle system as they struggled to deal with sickness and disease in the homes and communities of pre-World War II Britain.

TUE 00:30 Magic Numbers: Hannah Fry's Mysterious World of Maths (b0bptsd0)
Series 1

Weirder and Weirder

Hannah explores a paradox at the heart of modern maths, discovered by Bertrand Russell, which undermines the very foundations of logic that all of maths is built on. These flaws suggest that maths isn't a true part of the universe but might just be a human language - fallible and imprecise. However, Hannah argues that Einstein's theoretical equations, such as $E=mc^2$ and his theory of general relativity, are so good at predicting the universe that they must be reflecting some basic structure in it. This idea is supported by Kurt Godel, who proved that there are parts of maths that we have to take on faith.

Hannah then explores what maths can reveal about the fundamental building blocks of the universe - the subatomic, quantum world. The maths tells us that particles can exist in two states at once, and yet quantum physics is at the core of photosynthesis and therefore fundamental to most of life on earth - more evidence of discovering mathematical rules in nature. But if we accept that maths is part of the structure of the universe, there are two main problems: firstly, the two main theories that predict and describe the universe - quantum physics and general relativity - are actually incompatible; and secondly, most of the maths behind them suggests the likelihood of something even stranger - multiple universes.

We may just have to accept that the world really is weirder than we thought, and Hannah concludes that while we have invented the language of maths, the structure behind it all is something we discover. And beyond that, it is the debate about the origins of maths that has had the most profound consequences: it has truly transformed the human experience, giving us powerful new number systems and an understanding that now underpins the modern world.

TUE 01:30 Eric and Ernie (b00wy7ck)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

TUE 03:00 The NHS: A People's History (b0bb2k9h)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

WEDNESDAY 05 JULY 2023

WED 19:00 The NHS: A People's History (b0bby26g)
Series 1

Episode 3

Alex Brooker continues to chart the history of the National Health Service via the treasured memories of patients and staff whose lives it has affected since its inception in 1948.

This episode covers 1997 to the present day and unveils a whole host of unique, highly personal artefacts. These include the homemade badges dedicated to the first surgeons to carry out gender reassignment surgery after it became available on the NHS, a nurse's uniform cherished since it was used in the opening ceremony of the 2012 Olympics and teddy bears lovingly made from the clothes of Ellen Linstead, one of the victims of the notorious Mid-Staffordshire abuse scandal in 2006.

This is a period in which the ever-expanding and ever more diverse institution has grown unwieldy and almost impossibly expensive to manage. Budget cuts, privatisation and hospital closures have become commonplace - but the public aren't prepared to see it disappear without a fight.

Christine Wharrier and Peter Doyle wanted their NHS to keep pace with a society that no longer tolerated unequal conditions for men and women at work. They share the 'thank you' cards they were sent after they fought and won an extraordinary equal pay deal for female NHS employees, one of the biggest achieved in Europe at that time.

The programme meets Chidi Ejimofo, consultant in emergency medicine, as he unfurls the huge placard he has kept ever since he protested against closures at Lewisham Hospital. And Jonny Banger shares the prototype of the T-shirt he designed in support of the junior doctors' strike, inspired by the treatment his mum received on the NHS.

WED 20:00 Florence Nightingale: Nursing Pioneer (m001nj0b)

This film follows the life of an extraordinary woman who revolutionised modern nursing and whose legacy continues to benefit millions.

Born into a rich English family, Florence Nightingale broke through social and gender barriers to pioneer a profession

previously reserved for men. Dedicating her life to helping those in need, she was a trailblazer who led a group of nurses to care for wounded soldiers during the Crimean War and developed revolutionary views about hygiene and sanitation.

Hailed as a heroine by Queen Victoria and the British people upon her return from the front, Florence went on to establish the Nightingale Training School for Nurses and reform healthcare at home and abroad.

Florence Nightingale died in 1910 aged 90, leaving behind an inspirational legacy.

WED 21:10 Black Nurses: The Women Who Saved the NHS (b083dgtb)

Documentary which tells the story of the thousands of Caribbean and African women who answered the call 70 years ago to come to the UK to save the then ailing health service. It's a tale of a struggle to overcome racism, their fight for career progression and their battle for national recognition.

WED 22:10 Food for Ravens (b0077ct3)

Powerful drama on the life of Aneurin Bevan, founder of the National Health Service. Written by Trevor Griffiths, the play focuses on Bevan's final days, showing him musing on his life and career from his sickbed in Buckinghamshire.

The title is that of a seventh century Welsh poem by Aneirin and refers to Bevan's early death at 62 from cancer.

Bevan was a complex man, rooted in the working class yet deeply influenced by glamorous world figures, a fact reflected in the drama.

WED 23:35 Timeshift (b01n3vq9)
Series 12

Health before the NHS: A Medical Revolution

The Robert Winston-narrated mini-series concludes with the story of hospitals. At the beginning of the 20th century these were forbidding places very much to be avoided - a last resort for the destitute rather than places you would go to get better. Using unique archive footage from an era when infectious disease was virtually untreatable and powerful first-hand accounts from patients, doctors and nurses, the programme explores the extraordinary transformation of the hospital from Victorian workhouse to modern centre of medicine.

WED 00:35 Florence Nightingale: Nursing Pioneer (m001nj0b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

WED 01:50 Timeshift (b06csy8c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:30 on Tuesday]

WED 02:50 The NHS: A People's History (b0bby26g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 today]

THURSDAY 06 JULY 2023

THU 19:00 Cricket: Today at the Test (m001nj18)
The Ashes 2023

Third Test, Day One

First day highlights of the Third Test of the 2023 Ashes between England and Australia.

THU 20:00 Natural World (b08r3xh9)
2017-2018

Nature's Miniature Miracles

This film tells the epic survival stories of the world's smallest animals. It really is a big bad world out there. So what happens if you are the little guy?

To make a living, these tiny heroes have evolved extraordinary skills and achieved mind-boggling feats. From the animal kingdom's greatest artist to the tiny creatures that provide so much of the air we breathe, this programme discovers what it takes to be a miniature miracle.

THU 21:00 Bridge of Spies (m001njdb)

At the height of the Cold War, insurance lawyer James Donovan takes on the job of defending captured Russian spy Rudolf Abel, not knowing that this sets him on a path to East Berlin and leading the tense negotiations for a prisoner swap

involving Abel and US spy pilot Gary Powers.

Based on a true story.

THU 23:10 Escape to Athena (b00792bx)

A group of Allied prisoners of war plan to escape while excavating an archaeological site on a German-occupied Greek island. But the motley crew cannot resist the idea of taking some Greek art treasures with them.

THU 01:05 Natural World (b08r3xh9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 today]

THU 02:05 Black Nurses: The Women Who Saved the NHS (b083dgtb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:10 on Wednesday]

FRIDAY 07 JULY 2023

FRI 19:00 Cricket: Today at the Test (m001nj1m)
The Ashes 2023

Third Test, Day Two

Second day highlights of the Third Test of the 2023 Ashes between England and Australia.

FRI 20:00 Top of the Pops (b09wgscy)

Simon Bates and Richard Skinner present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 4 July 1985. Featuring Tears for Fears, Simply Red, Dead or Alive, Fine Young Cannibals and The Damned.

FRI 20:30 Top of the Pops (m0003f2q)

Gary Davies presents the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 9 July 1987 and featuring Shakin' Stevens, a-ha, Black, Genesis, Jackie Wilson, Mel and Kim, Heart, The Christians, Pet Shop Boys and Terence Trent D'Arby.

FRI 21:00 Radio 2 In Concert (b075rvt7)

a-ha

Back in 1985, a-ha released their debut album, Hunting High & Low, and went on to take the UK charts by storm with smash hits that included Take On Me and The Sun Always Shines on TV.

In 2010, the multi-platinum selling trio retired, but now they are back with their tenth studio album, Cast in Steel. The BBC Radio Theatre opens its doors to the legendary Norwegian band, who play hits old and new for a BBC Radio 2 In Concert show presented by Jo Whitley.

The programme originally aired live on BBC Radio 2 and the BBC Red Button.

FRI 22:05 Radio 2 In Concert (m001nj1p)

Tears for Fears

Jo Whitley welcomes an intimate audience to the BBC Radio Theatre as synth pop greats Tears for Fears celebrate their reunion following a sold-out summer arena tour, highlighted by their triumphant UK return in front of 65,000-plus fans as special guests of The Killers during British Summer Time Festival at Hyde Park.

The duo from Bath, consisting of Roland Orzabal (vocals, guitar, keyboards) and Curt Smith (vocals, bass, keyboards), play hits from their back catalogue, including Shout and Everybody Wants to Rule the World.

FRI 22:35 BBC One Sessions (b00j4d90)

Annie Lennox

Pop's enduring diva is on scintillating form in an intimate concert from LSO St Luke's in London. Accompanied by her band and 21 strings from the BBC Concert Orchestra, Annie Lennox storms through a set packed with hits from her solo career and back to the Eurythmics days, including classic hits Here Comes the Rain, Little Bird, Cold, Sweet Dreams and No More 'I Love You's'.

Lennox shows her voice has lost none of its ability to thrill and her showmanship is undimmed.

FRI 23:35 6 Music Festival (b08ljspx)
2017

Depeche Mode

With the release of their new album *Spirit*, Depeche Mode return to the stage for BBC Radio 6 Music Festival, before they embark on a world tour. Depeche Mode, who formed in 1980 in Basildon, Essex, have not played at the 2,000-capacity Barrowland Ballroom in Glasgow for more than 30 years, when they performed as part of their *Some Great Reward* tour. Now, back at the historic Barrowland, their amazing return as part of 6 Music Festival is captured.

FRI 00:35 The Old Grey Whistle Test (m00Inj1r)

Toyah: 1981

Annie Nightingale introduces Toyah, live in concert on Christmas Eve 1981 at the Theatre Royal Drury Lane.

FRI 01:45 Radio 2 In Concert (b075rvt7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 today]

FRI 02:45 BBC One Sessions (b00j4d90)

[Repeat of broadcast at 22:35 today]