

Regional Area Guidelines

A small number of regions are offering in-person heats, the majority are online. One region is offering both an in-person event and an online event, so you need to select one of these options.

If you are not able to attend on the date allocated to your regional heat, or your heat is an in-person event and you cannot travel with your team to take part, please book a place in one of the three cross-regional heats. Please do not choose another region that is ‘nearby’ to your own. **If you enter a heat out of area, then your score will not count.** Either book for your specific region or book into a cross-regional heat.



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N.B. Some regions have changed since last year. Please check all details carefully when booking!

AREA	COUNTIES	CITIES AND TOWNS AS EXAMPLES	DATE AND TIME
Northern Ireland: in-person Co-ordinator and venue: Helen Doogan, Killicomaine Junior High School, Portadown	All	All	Thursday 27 February 10.00 – 12.30
Wales: online Co-ordinator: NLT	All	All	Wednesday 2 April 10.00 – 12.30
NW, W and SW Scotland, Scottish Isles: online Co-ordinator: Kirsty McCulloch Reid, Bearsden Academy	Argyll and Bute, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, Dumfries and Galloway, East Ayrshire, East Dunbartonshire, East Renfrewshire, Glasgow City, Inverclyde, North Ayrshire, North Lanarkshire, Orkney Islands, Renfrewshire, Shetland Islands, South Ayrshire, South Lanarkshire, Stirling, The Highlands, West Dunbartonshire	e.g. Glasgow, Greenock, Kilmarnock, Stirling, Dunblane, Airdrie, Dumbarton, Inverness	Wednesday 5 March 10.00 – 12.30

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<p>NE, E and SE Scotland: online</p> <p>Co-ordinator: Christine Babbs, Liberton High School</p>	<p>Aberdeenshire, Angus, Banffshire, Clackmannanshire, City of Edinburgh, Dundee City, East Lothian, Falkirk, Fife, Midlothian, Moray, Perth and Kinross, Scottish Borders, West Lothian</p>	<p>e.g. Edinburgh, Dunfermline, Perth, Kirkcaldy, Falkirk, Aberdeen, Dundee</p>	<p>Monday 3 March 10.00 – 12.30</p>
<p>Merseyside and Greater Manchester: in-person</p> <p>Co-ordinator: Laura Ferguson, Wirral Grammar School for Girls</p> <p>Venue: Elizabeth Reeve, The Birkenhead School</p>	<p>Merseyside, The Wirral, Cheshire, Greater Manchester, South Lancashire</p>	<p>e.g. Liverpool, St Helens, Chester, Crewe, Macclesfield, Alsager, Southport, Warrington, Manchester, Rochdale, Bolton, Wigan, Altrincham</p>	<p>Tuesday 4 March 10.00 – 12.30</p>
<p>Merseyside and Greater Manchester: online</p> <p>Co-ordinator: Laura Ferguson, Wirral Grammar School for Girls</p>	<p>Merseyside, The Wirral, Cheshire, Greater Manchester, South Lancashire</p>	<p>e.g. Liverpool, St Helens, Chester, Crewe, Macclesfield, Alsager, Southport, Warrington, Manchester, Rochdale, Bolton, Wigan, Altrincham</p>	<p>Wednesday 26 March 10.00 – 12.30</p>
<p>Northeast England: online</p> <p>Co-ordinator: Kelly Schweizer, Hummersknott Academy</p>	<p>Northumberland, Tyne & Wear, North Tyneside, South Tyneside, Durham, Teesside</p>	<p>e.g. Newcastle, Darlington, Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Durham, Sunderland, Gateshead, Hexham, and Morpeth</p>	<p>Tuesday 11 March 10.00 – 12.30</p>

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<p>Northwest England: in-person</p> <p>Co-ordinator and venue: Jody Bowdin, Ss John Fisher Thomas More RC High School</p>	<p>Cumbria, North Lancashire, Isle of Man (excluding Merseyside and Manchester areas – see specific heat)</p>	<p>e.g. Cockermouth, Sedbergh, Preston, Lancaster, Blackburn, Blackpool</p>	<p>Tuesday 1 April</p> <p>10.00 – 12.30</p>
<p>Yorkshire: online</p> <p>Co-ordinator: Wendy Ellin, Wales High School</p>	<p>North Yorkshire, East Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, West Yorkshire</p>	<p>e.g. York, Leeds, Wakefield, Skipton, Bradford, Hull, Sheffield, Doncaster, Barnsley, Settle, Hawes</p>	<p>Wednesday 19 March</p> <p>10.00 – 12.30</p>
<p>West Midlands: online</p> <p>Co-ordinator: Isobel Powell, Coventry Library Services</p>	<p>Staffordshire, Shropshire, Hereford & Worcester, West Midlands, and Warwickshire</p>	<p>e.g. Birmingham, Coventry, Warwick, Stratford upon Avon, Stoke on Trent, Stafford, Wolverhampton, Worcester, Evesham, Telford</p>	<p>Friday 14 March</p> <p>10.00 – 12.30</p>
<p>East Midlands: online</p> <p>Co-ordinator: Lin Smith</p>	<p>Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, Leicestershire and Northamptonshire, Rutland</p>	<p>e.g. Worksop, Corby, Leicester, Loughborough, Nottingham, Oakham, Immingham, Lincoln, Bourne, Uppingham, Northampton, Towcester, Kettering, Sleaford, Spalding, Brackley</p>	<p>Thursday 13 March</p> <p>10.00 – 12.30</p>
<p>Oxford, Berkshire & Buckinghamshire: online</p> <p>Co-ordinators: Linda Stone, Larksmead School and Donna Pocock-Bell, St Helen & St Katharine</p>	<p>Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire</p>	<p>e.g. Oxford, Burford, Witney, Banbury, Wantage, Abingdon, Newbury, Reading, Wokingham, Slough, Maidenhead, Windsor, Ascot, Milton Keynes, Aylesbury, High Wycombe</p>	<p>Monday 24 March</p> <p>10.00 – 12.30</p>

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East England: in-person Host and Venue: Lorraine Gill, Northgate High School, Dereham	Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire	e.g. Norwich, King's Lynn, Ipswich, Stowmarket, Downham Market, Aylsham, Attleborough, Cambridge, Bury St Edmunds, Peterborough, Huntingdon	Thursday 3 April 10.00 – 12.30
Thames Gateway, East London, Essex and Kent: in-person Host and Venue: Alexis Lock, Harris Academy Chafford Hundred	Essex, Kent and all London schools with an E## postcode	e.g. Colchester, Chelmsford, Southend, Romford, Epping, Harlow, Barking, Walthamstow, Stratford, Dartford, Rochester, Orpington, Canterbury, Saffron Walden, Thurrock, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells, Dover, Sevenoaks, Maidstone	Tuesday 25 March 10.00 – 12.30
Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire: online Co-ordinator: NLT	Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire	e.g. Stevenage, Hertford, Potters Bar, St Albans, Watford, Berkhamsted, Dunstable, Luton, Harpenden, Hatfield, Letchworth, Bishop Stortford	Monday 31 March 10.00-12.30
North London and West London: online Co-ordinator: Alison Martino, Elthorne Park High School	London schools with N## and NW## postcodes, W##	e.g. Hampstead, Westminster, Camden, Brent, Hillingdon, Ruislip, Harrow, Ealing, Enfield, PLUS HOUNSLOW	Thursday 27 March 10.00 – 12.30
Southwest London: online Co-ordinator: Lucas Maxwell, Glenthorne School	London schools with SW##, EC## and WC## postcodes, Surrey inside M25	e.g. Fulham, Teddington, Reigate, Banstead, Egham, Southall, City of London, Sutton, Kingston EXCLUDING HOUNSLOW	Tuesday 18 March 10.00 – 12.30

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Southeast London: online Co-ordinator: Rachel Edwards, Coopers School	London schools with SE## and BR## postcodes, Croydon	e.g. Bromley, Bexley, Croydon, Dulwich, Greenwich, Lewisham, Southwark, Woolwich	Friday 21 March 10.00 – 12.30
South England: online Co-ordinator: Megan Sargent, Cantell School	East & West Sussex, Hampshire, Surrey outside M25	e.g. Eastbourne, Chichester, I of Wight, Basingstoke, Southampton, Portsmouth, Horsham, Guildford, Reigate	Thursday 20 March 10.00 – 12.30
Southwest England: online Co-ordinator: Caroline Wood, Southill Primary School	Gloucestershire, Wiltshire, Dorset, Somerset, Devon, Cornwall	e.g. Gloucester, Bristol, Bath, Dorchester, Exeter, Swindon, Trowbridge, Truro, Taunton	Friday 7 March 10.00 – 12.30
Cross-regional Heat One: online Co-ordinator: NLT	Any school not able to attend their regional heat	All UK	Friday 28 February 10.00 – 12.30
Cross-regional Heat Two: online Co-ordinator: NLT	Any school not able to attend their regional heat	All UK	Wednesday 12 March 10.00 – 12.30
Cross-regional Heat Three: online Co-ordinator: NLT	Any school not able to attend their regional heat	All UK	Friday 28 March 10.00 – 12.30

Dates listed in calendar order on the next page.

Region	Date
Northern Ireland: in-person	Thursday 27 February
Cross-Regional Heat One: online	Friday 28 February
Northeast, East, Southeast Scotland: online	Monday 3 March
Merseyside and Manchester: in-person	Tuesday 4 March
Northwest, West, Southwest Scotland, Scottish Isles: online	Wednesday 5 March
Southwest England: online	Friday 7 March
Northeast England: online	Tuesday 11 March
Cross-Regional Heat Two: online	Wednesday 12 March
East Midlands: online	Thursday 13 March
West Midlands: online	Friday 14 March
Southwest London: online	Tuesday 18 March
Yorkshire: online	Wednesday 19 March
South England: online	Thursday 20 March
Southeast London: online	Friday 21 March
Oxford, Berkshire, and Buckinghamshire: online	Monday 24 March
Thames Gateway, East London, Essex and Kent: in-person	Tuesday 25 March
Merseyside and Manchester: in-person	Wednesday 26 March
North and West London: online	Thursday 27 March
Cross-Regional Heat Three: online	Friday 28 March
Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire	Monday 31 March
Northwest England: in-person	Tuesday 1 April
Wales: online	Wednesday 2 April
East England: in-person	Thursday 3 April