

# World Wide Web – Basic Guide



## What is the Internet?

The internet is otherwise known as the World Wide Web, it is a quick and easy way to exchange data and information. It is considered the central point of the Information Communication Technology age, it spans the globe with a network of computers which connects over fifty million people world wide.



## What is an Internet Browser?

This is a software programme which allows you to access and navigate your way around the internet by viewing web pages on your computer.

Internet Explore is probably the most common but others such as Firefox are available. It doesn't take long to setup your browser to your own personal preference. Updated versions of your browser will be available to download and are normally free

## What is a website?

A website is a site on the World Wide Web (www) which is accessed by its own internet address e.g. [www.nbcs.org.uk](http://www.nbcs.org.uk)  
A site is a collection of pages (web pages) which contain a home page, like the index and introduction of a book. Each website is owned and updated by an individual, company or organisation. The web is a dynamically moving and changing entity, many websites change on a daily or even hourly basis.



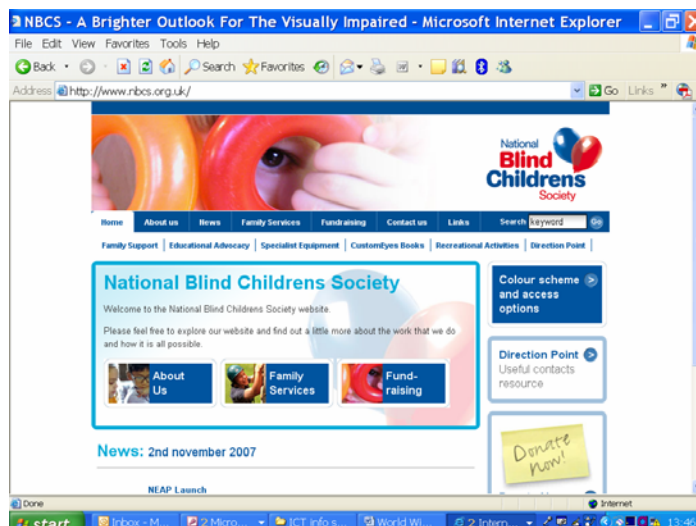
## What is a Home Page?

Home Page has two meanings

- The web page your browser uses when it starts. For example if you set 'Google' as your home page when you open your browser this is what you will see



- Each site has its own home page, this is the page you will be taken to first. If you enter the address [www.nbcs.org.uk](http://www.nbcs.org.uk) you will be taken to the National Blind Childrens Society home page



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