

**FX: Hans Zimmer – The Crown (Main Title)**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EIEqXWHPf88>

**TALLY:**

Did anyone on the Big Bus watch The Crown on Netflix? If you did, I'm sure like me you found it fascinating to see behind the scenes of our Royal Family-you couldn't make it up, could you?

As you probably know, England now has a King, Charles III, so I don't think our Big Bus adventure would be complete without a little chat about him. Buddy, I'll give you 40 seconds to tell us what you know.

**BUDDY:**

Well...th...

**GEORGE:**

*(Interrupts Buddy).*

Wait for it...on the sound of the cannon...

**FX: cannon fires**

...go!

**FX: we hear a gentle wristwatch ticking underneath Buddy**

**BUDDY:**

King Charles II was born at Buckingham Palace on November the 14<sup>th</sup> 1948. That made him, at the age of 73, the oldest person to accede to the British throne in 2022.

His mother, the late Queen Elizabeth II, was our longest-serving Queen: she reigned over us for a whopping 70 years!

His father, the late Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, was the longest-serving Royal Consort in history.

**GEORGE:**

They really are a family of record-breakers, aren't they? Carry on...

**BUDDY:**

King Charles used to be The Prince of Wales, a title he's now passed on to his son, William. Following his time in Wales, he learned to speak a 'bit' of Welsh and after becoming King, spoke a few words in Welsh when he addressed the Senedd, that's the name of the Parliament in Wales. Oh, and apparently, one of his favourite foods is cheesy baked eggs.

**FX: cannon fires again**

**TALLY:**

Boom! Times up, Buddy, well done!