

WORLD NEWS

AUSTRALIA



GIFTS FROM THE DOLPHINS

Tin Can Bay is a popular tourist spot in Queensland, where visitors can feed and swim with dolphins. Because of the lockdown, people are no longer visiting and it seems the dolphins are missing us! The pod of dolphins is bringing in 'gifts' to the volunteers in the area. The treasures include pieces of coral, wood, seaweed, even old bottles. The clever creatures bring them to shore balanced on their snouts. They have been known to bring in gifts like this in the past, but never so often. The nearby café says the dolphins were showing "how much they're missing the public". But a dolphin expert says it probably shows that they are missing the free meals!



Barnacles Café & Dolphin Feeding



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MEXICO



MANY MAMMOTHS

The remains of more than 60 mammoths have been discovered under the site of a new airport in Mexico. Archaeologists ("ar-key-ol-o-jists") said the bones are about 15,000 (fifteen thousand) years old. The area used to be under a shallow lake and the animals may have got stuck in the mud. Last year, traps for hunting mammoths were also found a few miles away. Mammoths were large mammals related to elephants that became extinct about 4,000 years ago.

RUSSIA



SO LONG SATURN

Saturn the alligator has died in Moscow Zoo at the age of 84. Saturn was given to Berlin Zoo, in Germany, by the USA, where he hatched, in 1936. Somehow, he survived the intense bombing of Berlin during World War Two. British soldiers discovered him after the war and he spent the rest of his life in Moscow, Russia.

moscowzoo/
Twitter

Questions on: 'World News'

1) Match the news topic to the correct country.

An extinct mammal

AUSTRALIA

A marine mammal

MEXICO

A dead reptile

RUSSIA

Look at the news from Mexico.

2) Mammoths are related to which living animal?

3) Why have all these mammoth skeletons been discovered in Mexico?

Look at the news from Australia.

4) Why do people visit Tin Can Bay in Australia?

5) How has the dolphins' behaviour changed during lockdown?

- ☐ They have started bringing gifts to people
- ☐ They are no longer bringing gifts to people
- ☐ They are bringing more gifts to people

6) There are two possible reasons why the dolphins are bringing more gifts to shore – what are they?

1: _____

2: _____

Look at the news from Russia.

7) Which **three** countries did Saturn the alligator live in? List them in the correct order.

1: _____

2: _____

3: _____

Consider all the news.

8) Look at all three **headlines**. What is similar about the way they have been written?

CRAZY BUT TRUE



REBRICKULOUS!

Have you ever stepped on a LEGO brick by accident? It's not a pleasant experience! Yet Caudwell Children – a charity that supports children with disabilities – is asking you to do it on purpose! It's all for a good cause though.

The sponsored LEGO walk will take place on 20th June. Anyone can take part to help raise money. All you need is enough LEGO to make your very own 'walk of fire'. There will be videos giving tips on how to handle the challenge!

Kate McMahon, from the charity, explains that the LEGO Walk Challenge is a "rebrickulous fun event for all the family!" To register, email Kate at kate.mcmahon@caudwellchildren.com.



This amazing wave is a digital work of art. It has been set up in the Gangnam District of Seoul, the capital of South Korea. (Yes, that Gangnam.) The wave crashes continuously on flat panels that wrap around the top of the building. It took about three months to design and looks incredibly realistic.

The company behind the artwork said: "Waves are beautiful and dynamic... we chose them as our subject because they evoke [create] feelings of comfort – which is much needed now."

HELLO AND GOOD... BLURGH!

Two women in Brighton got a shock when a cheeky seagull wandered into their home. After a quick walk around their place, the chilled seagull looked like he was going to fly out of the door but instead hopped onto the kitchen counter and threw up, before heading back outside. Ew!



Questions on: 'Crazy but True'

1) Why were these stories chosen to go on the 'Crazy but True' page of the newspaper?

Look at the story 'Rebrickulous!'

2) Explain what this charity wants you to do to raise money.

3) Look closely at the **headline**. Which word has been altered to include the word 'brick' and make a joke?

Look at the story 'Hello and good... blurgh!'

4) Find **two** adjectives used to describe this seagull.

1: _____

2: _____

5a) What does the writer mean with the last word "Ew!"?

5b) 'Ew' is a sound that explains a feeling. Here are some similar words. What do they mean?

Mmmm **Ow!** **Ahh!** **Uh-oh!** **Phew!**

6) What is this?

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- ☐ A web address
- ☐ An email address
- ☐ A postal address

How do you know?

Look at the story 'Wave art wows!'

7) Where can you find this work of art?

Country: _____

City: _____

Area: _____

8) Do you think a moving picture shown on a screen can be called a 'work of art'?

Explain your thoughts.

ANIMAL NEWS



ALBIE'S ADVENTURES

LUCKY pupils from RL Hughes Primary School in Wigan have been getting lockdown visits from their school dog, Albie.

Albie belongs to assistant head teacher Lisa Tarbuck and has been at the school since he was a puppy. As part of his daily exercise, Albie has already managed to visit the homes of more than half of the 460 pupils at the school. The school asked families to put a sign up in their front window if they wanted Albie to stop to say hello. Mrs Tarbuck knocks on the door and then steps back, leaving Albie to play with the children in their front gardens. They try to visit around 20 homes a day and Albie gets cleaned after each visit. Mrs Tarbuck said: "This is a good way to show them they have not been forgotten about – as well as bringing a bit of joy."



Questions on: 'Albie's adventures'

1) RL Hughes Primary School in Wigan in the northeast of England has a **school pet**.

Complete the fact file.

| RL Hughes Primary School Pet FACT FILE | |
|---|--|
| Type of animal | |
| Pet's name | |
| Owner's name | |
| Owner's job in school | |
| When the pet became part of school life | |

2) What is Albie up to during lockdown?

3) How do families let Albie and Mrs Tarbuck know they'd like a visit?

4) Put these **numbers** into the **sentences** to complete the **facts**.

20

230

460

There are _____ pupils at RL Hughes Primary School.
Alfie and Mrs Tarbuck visit around _____ homes every day.
During lockdown, they have visited over _____ of the school's families so far.

5) Find the **two things** that Mrs Tarbuck does to make sure the visits are safe for everyone during lockdown.

6) Match the **adjectives** to the **nouns** used by the journalist in the news story.

Daily

garden

Front

head teacher

Lockdown

exercise

Assistant

visits

7a) Who is **quoted** in the story?

Albie

Mrs Tarbuck

Year 6 pupil, Suzy

7b) What do they **say** in their **quote**?

I loved it when
Albie came to visit.
He brings me so
much joy.

Woof!
Woof! Woof!

This is a good way to
show them they have
not been forgotten
about – as well as
bringing a bit of joy.

8) Why do you think so many families at the school like to be visited by Albie and Mrs Tarbuck?

ENTERTAINMENT

PEACHY PERFORMANCES



A HOST of famous actors and film-makers have teamed up to read Roald Dahl's *James and the Giant Peach* to entertain families at home and raise money for charity.

James and the Giant Peach, with Taika and Friends is a ten-part series that you can watch on YouTube.

Each video features film-maker Taika Waititi reading part of the story, joined by many celebrity guests! Taika directed the Marvel film *Thor: Ragnarok*.

In episode one, Chris and Liam Hemsworth provide the voices for James's aunts. Other famous actors taking part include Meryl Streep, Josh Gad, Cate Blanchett and Eddie Redmayne. (Look to the right to find out who they are!)

New episodes will be launched every Monday, Wednesday and Friday on the Roald Dahl YouTube channel.

Money raised from the videos will be used to help charities taking part in the battle against the coronavirus. They include Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity, which provides nurses for critically ill children in the UK, and Partners In Health, which works in

some of the poorest parts of the world. Roald Dahl's daughter is one of its founders.

Some of the actors helping to read *James and the Giant Peach* are:



Chris Hemsworth – Thor in *Thor*



Meryl Streep – the mum in *Mamma Mia!*



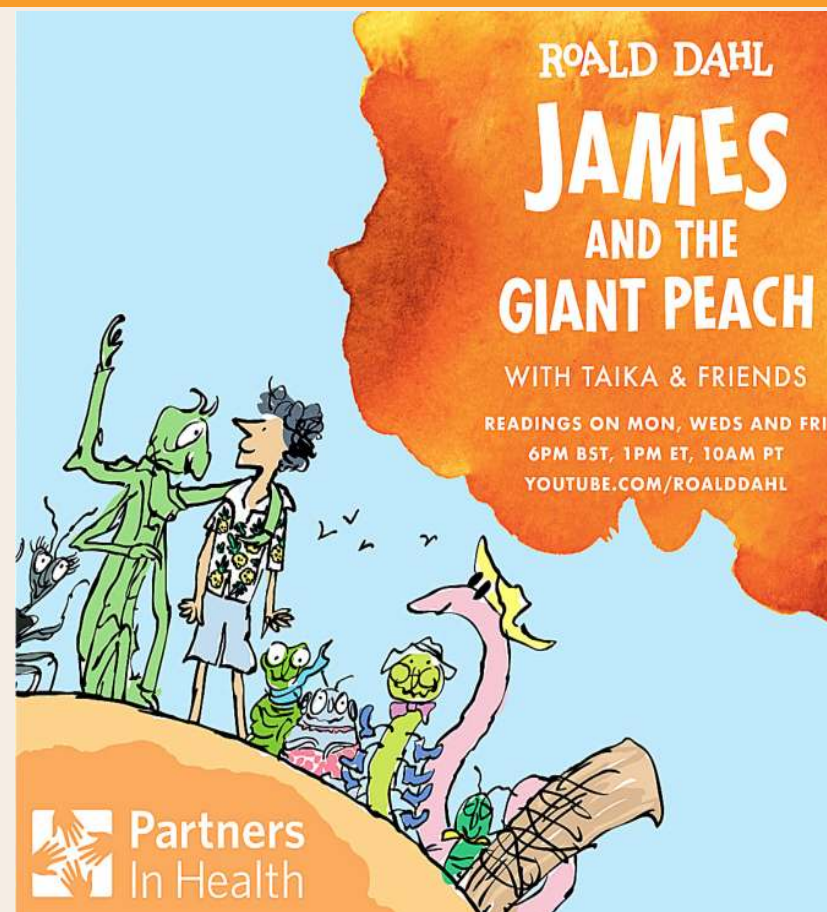
Cate Blanchett – Valka in *How to Train Your Dragon*



Josh Gad – Olaf in *Frozen*



Eddie Redmayne – Dug in *Early Man*



Questions on: 'Peachy performances'

1) Which Roald Dahl book is being read out loud by film stars?

- ☐ *James and the Giant Peach*
- ☐ *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*
- ☐ *Fantastic Mr Fox*

2) Who is the main reader and what does he do?

3) What is the aim of this project?

4) Find the details:

Number of episodes: _____

Where to watch: _____

Days with new episodes: _____

5) The money raised is going to which two charities?

1: _____

2: _____

6) Can you match the actor to the correct film?

Meryl Streep

Frozen

Eddie Redmayne

How to Train Your Dragon

Josh Gad

Mamma Mia!

Cate Blanchett

Early Man

7) What is the link between Roald Dahl and the charity Partners In Health?

8) What is your favourite Roald Dahl story? Why do you like it?