

Tech Trouble for the Toys!

A brand-new Toy Story film is on the way! Toy Story 5 will be in cinemas on 19th June 2026, and all our favourite toys are coming back. Toy Story started 30 years ago in 1995, and it was the first-ever animated film made completely on a computer. Since then, we've followed Woody, Buzz, Jessie and the gang through more Toy Story films, filled with exciting adventures about friendship, facing challenges, and never giving up on the people you care about. In the new story, Bonnie – the little girl who owns the toys – has been given a tablet called LilyPad. LilyPad is clever, shiny, and fun to use. But it starts to make Bonnie think she doesn't need her toys anymore.



Pictured: The Toy Story characters!
Source: William Warby on Flickr.

Pixar's Chief Creative Officer, Pete Docter, said, 'It's toy meets tech.' Jessie is trying to keep everyone together in Bonnie's room. Buzz is helping too and Woody returns to help save the day! Can the toys show Bonnie that old friends are still important – even when something new and exciting comes along?

Buzz Lightyear is named after a real astronaut called Buzz Aldrin, who went to the Moon!

Trunkful of Treats!

In Thailand, a wild elephant gave everyone a big surprise when he walked into a shop and helped himself to some tasty snacks! The elephant, named Plai Biang Lek, is 27 years old and lives near Khao Yai National Park. He's known in the area, but this was the first time he had stepped inside a shop. 'He walked up to the candy counter and used his trunk to pick out what he wanted,' said shop owner Khamploi Kakaew. Plai Biang Lek chose sweets, dried bananas, and peanut snacks – while another elephant waited outside for him! Later, a wildlife group gave the shop



Pictured: An Asian Elephant in the wild.
Source: Canva.

800 baht (about £17) to cover the elephant's 'shopping bill'. Elephants sometimes visit towns when their forest homes shrink. Local groups are helping to keep them safe and protect their homes. ***Elephants are Thailand's national animal, but only 3,000-4,000 are in the wild – down from over 100,000 long ago.***

What can we learn from people who communicate in different ways?



I am learning sign language so that I can talk to my cousin, who uses it too. It is really fun to learn! **Edith**

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Steelpan Success

Joshua Regrello, from Trinidad and Tobago, has set a new world record by playing the steelpan for 31 hours! The passionate musician and content creator now holds the record for the longest marathon playing steelpan/steel drums. He has performed all around the world – even on the Great Wall of China. He commented that this experience made him realise that anything is possible and that he was going to go after his dreams. The steelpannist thanked his



Pictured: Playing a steelpan.
Source: Canva.



Pictured: Joshua playing the steelpan.
Source: Joshua Regrello on Facebook.

support network, who encouraged him during his record-breaking session, which was livestreamed on YouTube. Other musicians joined him on stage. His mum and girlfriend fed him and gave him drinks through a straw, so he could continue playing. His 80-year-old grandma was there for the whole 31 hours too! Joshua says, 'Big up Trinidad and Tobago and the entire Caribbean. This record is not just mine. It is for all of us. It is a reminder that even your wildest dreams are worth chasing. You are stronger than you think. To anyone reading this around the world, if your dream feels crazy, it is probably exactly what you should be doing.'

Have you ever heard or played a steelpan? Would you like to?

Underwater Rugby

Nick Harvey, the founder of the UK's first underwater rugby team, has been talking about how his team is trying to grow the sport. Pure Underwater Rugby, based in Guildford in Surrey, is one of only two clubs in the country. The club is trying to make the sport more popular in the UK. The team's website explains, 'Discover the sport of Underwater Rugby – the best game you've never heard of! Join us for an exhilarating experience. In teams of 6,



Pictured: PURE Underwater Rugby team in action. **Source:** PURE Underwater Rugby on X.



Pictured: PURE Underwater Rugby team in action.
Source: PURE Underwater Rugby on Facebook.

equipped with fins, mask, and snorkel. Your aim is to score points by sinking the ball into the opponent's basket which is placed 4m below the pool surface. It's a game that demands teamwork, agility, strength, and the ability to hold your breath – all while having an absolute blast! They are encouraging adults to try out their sport and say it is suitable for everyone. There are mixed teams, who play by attempting to wrestle a ball, slightly smaller than a football, past the opponent's defenders and goalkeeper and into the bin-like basket to score! **Would you give underwater rugby a try? What other sports do you think could be played underwater?**

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It's sometimes hard for me to find the correct words, so I want to learn how to communicate in different ways. **Karolina**

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